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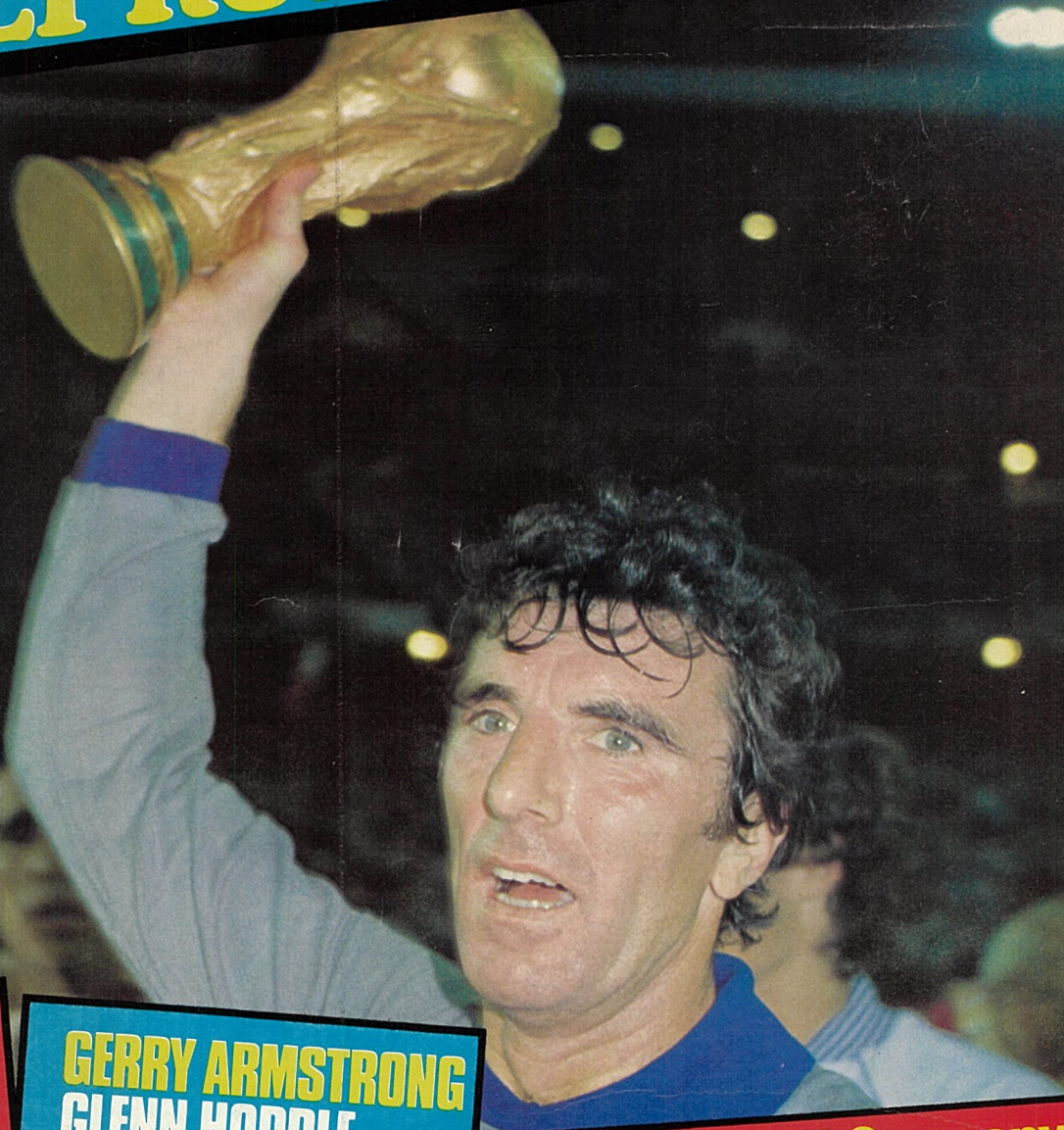


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**WEEKLY**

**WORLD CUP FINAL IN COLOUR**  
**ITALY RULE, OLÉ**

Below: An emotional moment to savour for Italy's 40-year-old captain Dino Zoff as he proudly holds aloft soccer's greatest prize . . . the World Cup.



In this week's  
super issue...

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**MATCH Weekly has done it again! Against all the odds, we bring you the VERY FIRST colour pictures from the World Cup Final.**

**A twin-engined Commanche aircraft, chartered especially by Match Weekly, flew out to Madrid to collect the films on Sunday night.**

**And in a dramatic race against the clock the pictures arrived back in time to appear EXCLUSIVELY FOR OUR READERS in this issue (see front cover and centre pages).**

**Together with inside stories capturing the immediate reactions of the new World Champions and views from top players in this country, it all adds up to an unrivalled coverage of soccer's greatest spectacle.**

**ITALIAN manager Enzo Bearzot was managing to smile, talk, laugh and smoke his famous pipe all at the same time claiming: "This is the happiest day of my life."**

Goalscorer hero Paolo Rossi was dancing around minus one boot and telling everyone: "I'm so happy. So very happy."

And all Bruno Conti could muster was: "What a stadium. What a match. What can I say?"

Italy were being hailed the Champions of the World and no-one could deny them their moment of glory.

Winners of soccer's greatest prize in 1934 and 1938, they clinched the hat-trick against all the critics and all the odds.

They entered the Final against West Germany already minus influential midfielder Giancarlo Antognoni and lost striker Francesco Graziani after just seven minutes.

Then after 24 minutes they squandered a marvellous chance to take the lead when Antonio Cabrini became the first man to miss a penalty in a World Cup Final.

Nothing it seemed was going

right for the team which had come under heavy fire from the Italian Press before the tournament even kicked off.

But Paolo Rossi — the man the critics had said should never have even been included in the squad — set the seal on one of football's most amazing comebacks by scoring the goal which put the Italian's on the road to glory.

Once he had broken the deadlock in the 57th minute with his sixth goal of the tournament his side went on to overwhelm their German opponents.

A marvellous second from Marco Tardelli eleven minutes later and a third from Alessandro Altobelli ten minutes from time ensured the gold prize was Italy-bound.

While Paul Breitner pulled a goal back for Germany there was to be no repeat of their famous 'Houdini' act of the Semi-Finals.

And so it was left to Italy's skipper Dino Zoff — at 40 years of age the oldest World Cup winner in history — to lift the precious trophy high above his head to a crescendo of noise inside Madrid's famous Bernabeu Stadium.

Said Zoff: "I may be 40, but I feel like a youngster. I plan to carry on playing for a while longer yet!"

"This win is not only for us — it is for our families and friends and everyone in Italy."

Claudio Gentile, minus the moustache he shaved off in honour of Italy reaching the Semi-Finals, said: "It's marvellous. It shows all our critics that we know how to play football and we are the best."

## Revolution

Added Marco Tardelli, voted 'Man of the Match' in the Final: "When I scored I knew there would have to be a complete revolution if Italy were not to win."

"I just felt so great. I ran over to the bench to hug all my team mates but the officials wouldn't let me."

"It didn't matter though. What counts is the victory."

Outside the stadium the scene was no less chaotic.

Italian World Cup fever was sweeping through the streets of Madrid.

Roads were jammed with hooting, flag-waving fans chanting the names of their heroes.

And back home in Italy it was pandemonium. Police in Rome estimated that more than 300,000 people crowded into the city's main square — closed to traffic two hours before kick off.

Fans leapt into fountains, painted their faces red, white and green and two clowns painted a circus elephant blue before parading it across the bridges of



# ITALY ON TOP

Venice.

Even opera took second place to soccer... More than 20,000 people gathered in Verona for an open air performance of 'Othello' erupted in a ten-minute round of applause when World Cup victory was announced during the interval.

Back in Spain, Italian manager Enzo Bearzot was just coming down to earth — having been chaired round the pitch on the shoulders of his delighted team.

"It's the greatest and happiest day of my life," he said.

"Our team spirit won the Cup because after missing the penalty we needed all the spirit we could muster to get us back into the game."

"It was a dangerous psychological moment but we got through it."

"We were without Antognoni and then lost Graziani, but my younger players responded well and we played perfectly."

"One of the most important aspects of our win was the marking of Littbarski and Rummenigge by Gentile and Bergomi."

"They stuck to them like they were their biggest fans. They were brilliant."

"And Rossi of course took his

goal as usual!"

The goal made Rossi the leading scorer in the Finals and as the tormentor of every team Italy met in the later stages he carried off two individual awards — the 4,000 dollar 'Golden Ball' trophy as the 'Man of the Finals' and the 'Golden Shoe' trophy worth 3,700 dollars as top scorer.

Rossi (25) has re-built his career from the ashes of a two-year suspension following a bribery scandal and now he has re-paid Bearzot's faith.

"I have always had confidence in him," said the Italian boss.

German manager Jupp Derwall said Italy deserved their win... "They are good winners. They played well. We were tired and I think the extra time and penalties against France in the Semi-Finals took their toll on us."

It was the first time Derwall had seen his side beaten by European opposition since he took over the helm in 1978, but he said:

"I am very satisfied with the performance of my squad in the tournament."

"While we never found our real strength I am grateful to my players for their effort."

Derwall admitted that he had spent the interval arguing with defender Uli Stielike over tactics.

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**We are the Champions!** The delighted Italian team set off on their victory lap around the Bernabeu stadium — Scirea holding the prized trophy.

**Left: Goal!** Antonio Cabrini and team mate Claudio Gentile top a pile of Italian players celebrating the third goal scored by Alessandro Altobelli.



# OF THE WORLD



*Tragedy for Antonio Cabrini as he watches his first-half penalty kick go wide of the German post. But it all came good for the Italians in the end.*

"He insisted that I move him out front in the second half to give greater drive to our midfield.

"When I made the first change in the line-up and brought on Hrubesch for Dremmler he protested visibly and kept on shouting for the whole of the second half."

Stielike himself hit out at the referee: "He seemed to be wearing a blue shirt to me, but Italy played well and deserved their win.

"The trouble is that we never really had a settled, fit team. I tried all the second half to get things going our way but I couldn't — not

with that referee."

Added influential midfielder Paul Breitner who has now scored in two World Cup Finals: "It was a triumph for Italy and we blame the extra-time in Seville. We fell away badly in the second half when the Italian's came on stronger. My goal just came too late."

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## 'WORTHY WINNERS'

ITALY were heralded as worthy World Cup winners by the stars of the British game.

Manchester United and England midfield ace Ray Wilkins was delighted with the Italians' 3-1 win over West Germany. He said: "I'm a great admirer of their style of play.

"They've got the players who can come out and attack. When they do that — as in the later stages of the competition — they showed themselves capable of murdering any opposition.

"I just hope this victory encourages them to play attacking football and persuades them not to go back to their old defensive ways.

"Paolo Rossi got all the praise for Italy's victory, but for me their outstanding player was sweeper Scirea. He was one of the best players in the tournament," added Ray.

Scotland's reserve goalkeeper Jim Leighton admitted: "Italy won the World Cup the hard way. No-one can accuse them of getting to the Final easily.

"You've got to beat the best to win the competition and that's just what they did. Italy deserved to take the trophy.

"Prompted by the talented Bruno Conti, I thought the Italian midfield was tremendous against Germany. They worked so hard for each other.

"Paolo Rossi is the ideal striker. He's hardly in the game and then he'll suddenly pop up with a couple of goals.

He doesn't need second chances."

Northern Ireland and Southampton defender Chris Nicholl believes that the World Cup Finals lost much of their appeal when the brilliant Brazilians and attack-minded French were eliminated.

"I'd have loved to have seen those two teams in the Final because they were the only true attacking teams.

"Having said that Italy deserved their victory in the Final. You don't beat the likes of Brazil, Poland and West Germany without being a good side.

"The first half of the Final was a dull affair and I was expecting the worst when I sat down for the second half. In the end it turned out to be really thrilling."

Arthur Albiston, of Manchester United and Scotland, feared a dull Final, and for 45 minutes his worst expectations were realised.

"The last half-hour rescued the match and, overall, the Italians deserved their success, despite their poor start in drawing all three matches in their initial group.

"Rossi, in particular, came good in the second-half of the tournament and I was rather surprised by the goal-scoring power of the Italians."

Noel Brotherston, Blackburn Rovers' Irish international, said: "I reckon the right Final would have involved Italy and Brazil. That would have fired everyone's imagination."



# NORWICH IN TROPHY HUNT

NEWLY-promoted First Division sides Norwich and Watford are competing in the Football League Trophy to help prepare for the new campaign.

They are joined by three Second Division clubs — Crystal Palace, Shrewsbury and Grimsby — in the competition, previously known as the Group Cup.

It was launched last year by the League to offer lower division clubs the chance of competitive matches before the new season.

The 32 teams are divided into four groups on a geographical basis and they play each other once in the two weeks' prior to the big kick-off on August 28.

The winners of each section go forward to the quarter-finals later in the season.

Grimsby were the first winners last season, beating Wimbledon in the Final.

## The groups

Chesterfield, Chester, Shrewsbury, Tranmere; Hartlepool, Hull, Bradford City, Halifax; Sheff. United, Scunthorpe, Grimsby, Lincoln; Norwich, Northampton, Peterborough, Mansfield; Newport, Torquay, Exeter, Bristol City; Reading, Oxford,

Bournemouth, Aldershot, Watford, Orient, Colchester, Southend; Millwall, Wimbledon, Brentford, C. Palace.

## The fixtures

August 14 — Chesterfield v Chester, Shrewsbury v Tranmere, Hartlepool v Hull, Bradford v Halifax, Sheffield United v Grimsby, Scunthorpe v Lincoln, Norwich v Mansfield, Newport v Peterborough v Mansfield, City, Reading v Torquay, Exeter v Bristol City, Aldershot v Oxford, Bournemouth v Watford, Watford v Orient, Colchester v Southend, Millwall v Wimbledon, Brentford v C. Palace.

Week of August 16 — Chesterfield v Shrewsbury, Tranmere v Chester, Hartlepool v Bradford, Halifax v Hull, Sheffield United v Scunthorpe, Lincoln v Grimsby, Norwich v Peterborough, Mansfield v Northampton, Newport v Exeter, Bristol City v Torquay, Reading v Bournemouth, Aldershot v Oxford, Watford v Colchester, Southend v Orient, Millwall v Brentford, C. Palace v Wimbledon.

August 21 — Tranmere v Chesterfield, Chester v Shrewsbury, Halifax v Hartlepool, Hull v Bradford, Lincoln v Sheff. United, Grimsby v Scunthorpe, Mansfield v Norwich, Northampton v Peterborough, Bristol City v Newport, Torquay v Exeter, Aldershot v Reading, Oxford v Bournemouth, Southend v Watford, Orient v Colchester, C. Palace v Millwall, Wimbledon v Brentford.

## HONOURS EVEN...

ENGLAND stars Kevin Keegan and Trevor Brooking roomed together during the World Cup in Spain and, following the announcement of Kevin's OBE, the pair became the butt for some good-natured stick from their team-mates.

Trevor already has the MBE so their room was quickly dubbed the Royal Suite... and received a succession of very humble callers who proceeded to knock twice, then kneel before entering!

## 'I'M NO TROUBLE' — THOMAS

WELSH international Mickey Thomas, on the transfer list at Brighton, has made a plea to any manager who might be put off by the controversy which surrounded him last season.

"Please don't be put off by the problems I had at Brighton and Everton," he says.

"I've been in football for a number of years, and prior to last season, no manager has had cause to complain about the job I've done.

"I simply had one of those seasons that any player hopes will never happen to him. But I still love playing the game and that's all I really want to do.

"A new club and a new start will show that I'm still a player to be reckoned with."

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## \* CHELSEA \* \* ON TOUR \*

\* CHELSEA are to make a four-match tour of Scandinavia as part of their pre-season build-up.

\* They will play three games in Sweden and one in Finland between July 27 and August 3.

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## How John Wiles away the summer...

AFTER a tough relegation battle with West Brom, you might expect veteran skipper John Wile to put his feet up for the summer.

But you'd be wrong because the 34-year-old central defender is playing on through the summer months in the North American League with Vancouver Whitecaps.

"I know it might surprise some people that I've decided not to rest for a spell," says the Albion stalwart, whose name has been linked with several player-manager jobs.

"But, as an older player, I find if I have two or three months' lay-off, it's harder for me to return to peak fitness.

"That's why I've decided to join my old mate Johnny Giles, who is managing Vancouver.

"By turning out regularly in competitive matches, I can keep myself in trim, and be in tip-top condition for when the season starts again in August."

## FANCY THAT...

RELEGATED Middlesbrough's main scorers in the First Division last season claimed just four goals.

That distinction fell to Heine Otto, Billy Ashcroft and Tony McAndrew.

There's been nothing so poverty-stricken in the First Division since Arsenal's main marksman claimed four back in season 1912-13.

BRISTOL CITY'S three successive relegations has no equal in the Football League's 94 years. The nearest was Northampton who dropped from Division One to Division Four in five seasons, Huddersfield in five, Luton Town in six and Sheffield United in seven.

## PAISLEY IS RIDING HIGH

HOW does Liverpool's Bob Paisley, soccer's most successful club manager, escape from the pressures of modern-day soccer?

Does he fly off to some far-away, sun-soaked beach or maybe settle for a luxury cruise?

Far from it. Bob likes nothing better than to 'muck out' at the racing stables of his long-time friend and former jockey Frankie Durr.

"Bob likes to spend a few days at my place whenever he can," says Frankie.

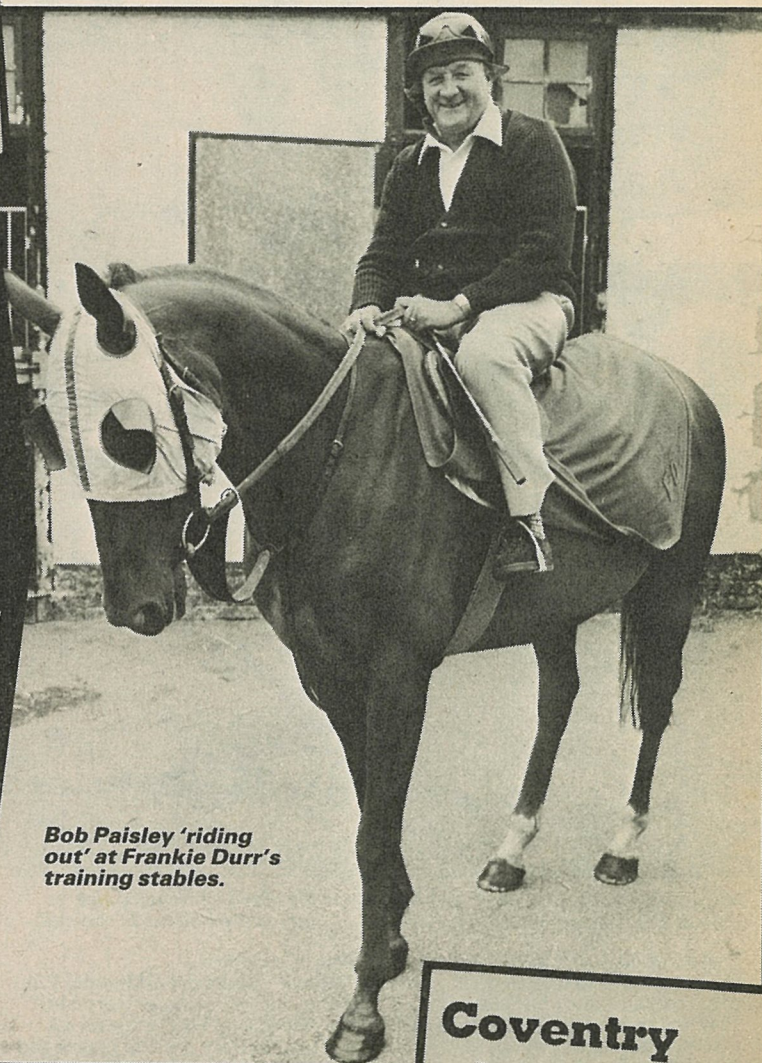
"And he likes nothing better than to be up on the heath early in the morning riding his favourite horse, Banner Street, or helping out round the yard, mucking out the stables."

## SILVER STEELE

FORMER Barnsley manager Johnny Steele is the 1982 winner of the Bell's Scotch Whisky 'Service to Football' award of a silver rosebowl and £1,000 cheque.

Johnny was recently appointed a director of the Second Division club after 34 years at Oakwell as player, trainer, manager (twice) and general manager.

Glasgow-born Johnny turned professional with East Fife when he was 17 and joined Barnsley from Ayr in 1938 for a fee in 'excess of £1,000'.



Bob Paisley 'riding out' at Frankie Durr's training stables.

## MOLLER ERROR

THERE was an error in our July 3 issue relating to former Bristol City goalkeeper Jan Moller.

The Swedish international is now playing in Canada with Toronto and not Vancouver as was stated.

## Coventry aid fund

COVENTRY City are to help raise money for the HMS Coventry fund by playing a pre-season friendly at Portsmouth on August 17.

Most of the crew of the warship that was sunk during the Falklands battle come from the Portsmouth area.



# NEV'S BIG BUILD-UP

EVERTON goalkeeper Nev Southall, who just a few years ago was helping to build houses, has now turned his attention to building a fine reputation for himself on the soccer front.

And, judging by the foundations he laid last season, culminating in a Welsh international cap, the job is well under way.

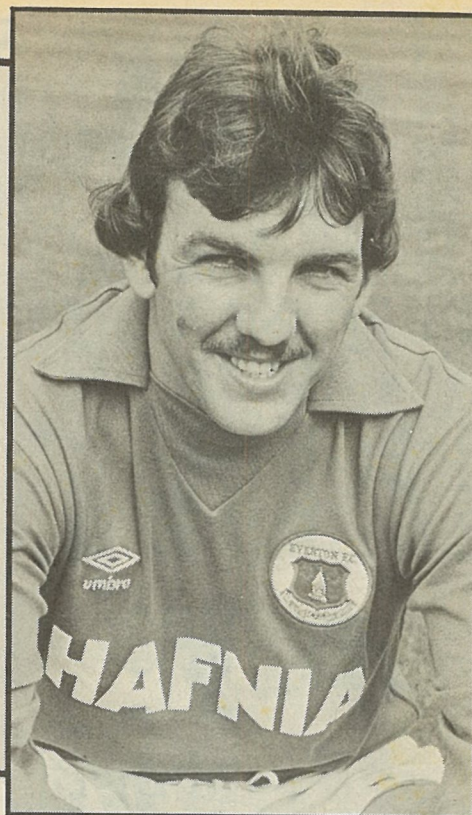
Everton manager Howard Kendall paid £150,000 for Nev despite the fact that he had played only 39 League matches for Fourth Division Bury.

Reflecting on his meteoric rise to fame, Nev says: "I spent six years after leaving school, working during the day and trying to establish myself in local Welsh sides in the evenings.

"Sometimes I wouldn't get home until the early hours of the morning, and then I would be up for work at 7 a.m.

"Life was hard, that's for sure. But I learned so much.

*Right: Nev Southall — meteoric rise to fame.*



## Match Chat

*Compiled by Melvyn Beck*

### LLOYD SAYS 'I WON'T QUIT YET'

WIGAN player-manager Larry Lloyd has delayed a decision about his playing future.

"A lot of players make the mistake of retiring straight away at the end of a season," says the former England central defender who has steered the League's newest club into the Third Division for the first time.

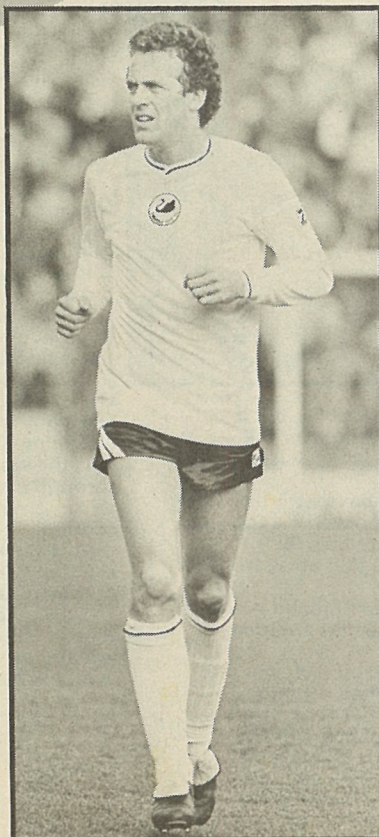
"This is obviously the time when they are most tired and yet they seem to jump to an important decision like that.

"Jimmy Greaves and Bobby Charlton are just two players who could have played on for a couple more seasons.

"I've certainly had a long season but I won't be making up my mind until August, just before our first League game."

Larry, 33, has had spells with Bristol Rovers, Liverpool, Coventry and Nottingham Forest.

● Lloyd's side will be sponsored next season by local company Bulldog Tools.



Alan Curtis — as good as Kenny Dalglish, says Ray Kennedy.

### CURTIS IN THE DALGLISH CLASS...

SWANSEA striker Alan Curtis is in the same class as Liverpool's Kenny Dalglish according to his team-mate Ray Kennedy, who spent several seasons at Anfield.

"Alan has the same ability to make a yard of space for himself out of nothing with a quick turn," says Ray.

"It's such an important skill in and around the penalty area.

"I've played with and against the top strikers in the country and, on the form he showed last season, Alan is right up there with the best.

"Possibly he doesn't score as many goals as he might, but they'll come and then he'll get the recognition he deserves."

### Managers' musical chairs...

THERE have been more comings and goings on the managerial merry-go-round in the past few weeks.

Former England striker Allan Clarke parted company with Leeds following their relegation to the Second Division.

Ex-Brighton and Charlton manager Alan Mullery has taken over at Crystal Palace, the decision being made while his predecessor, Steve Kember, was holidaying in Greece.

Alan, who quit Charlton because they 'lacked potential', is Palace's sixth manager in just 21 months.

Chester, relegated to the Fourth Division last season, have appointed Manchester City player Cliff Sear as their new manager.

He was assistant to Alan Oakes who was sacked earlier this year.

### SPANISH SNIPPETS

BELGIUM'S 1-1 draw with Hungary in their final Group Three match put them into the second phase of the World Cup Finals for the first time in six attempts.

STRIKER Joe Jordan (30) lays claim to being the only player in Scotland's squad to have scored in each of the last three World Cup Finals.

ENGLAND'S final Group Four match against Kuwait fell in the middle of Ramadan — a 30 day fast observed by five of the Kuwait team who are strict Muslims.

But they were allowed to eat on the day of the match if they chose to — provided they added an extra day to Ramadan to make up for it.

NORTHERN Ireland's players picked up £5,000 each for reaching the second phase whilst the Irish FA are expecting to make a profit of £500,000 from the World Cup involvement.

### DID YOU KNOW...

BARNSELY, Bury, Grimsby, Lincoln, Northampton and Portsmouth are the only clubs able to say they have met all 91 in Football League matches, but there will be another next season when Brentford meet promoted Wigan for the first time.

DAVID Johnson (Liverpool), Bobby Thomson (Middlesbrough), Jim Cannon (C. Palace) and Gary Micklewhite (QPR) all finished last season with more Cup goals than they collected in League matches.



# TIME TO MOVE ON

**WORLD  
EXCLUSIVE**

**says  
Kevin  
Keegan**

I COULD be waving goodbye to British football at the end of the coming season to find a new challenge abroad.

My contract at Southampton has a year to run. And although I haven't yet made a positive decision on my future, it is pretty certain I will move on.

Once again, I have a yearning to play my football in a foreign country.

I don't know where it will be. I already have the chance to play in France and I know I could go back to play in Germany — though at the age of 32 that might be too big a challenge. The USA is always open to me as well.

I'm not going to go out looking for clubs. I'll let the world come to me. They know where I am.

I came back from Hamburg to play in England mainly because of the World Cup. It was important that I was playing for an English club as the competition approached.

That doesn't mean that by leaving England again I would be closing any doors. I haven't written myself off as an England player.

## Convinced

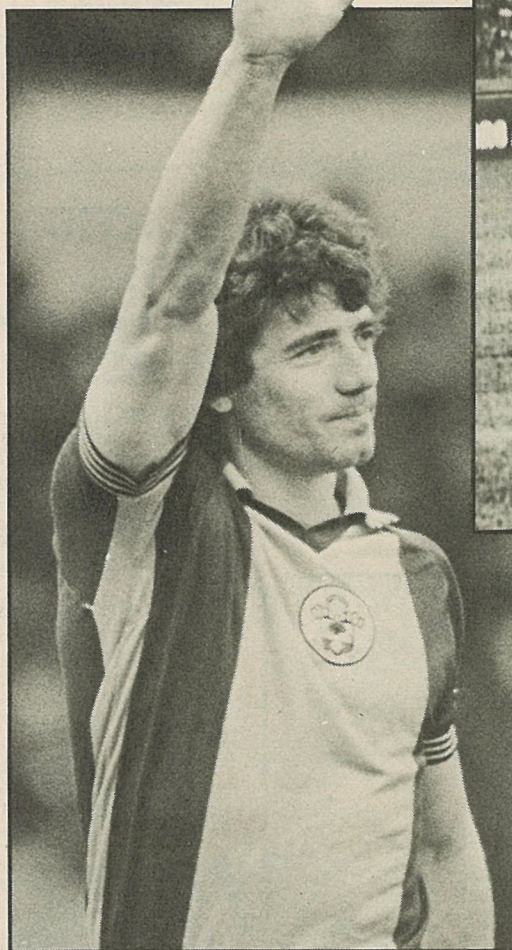
No-one will convince me that I am not the best player in my position. Until I am convinced that I am not, I shall keep on trying to play for England.

Pulling on a England shirt is a great feeling and I don't want to give it up.

I'm not taking anything for granted. New England boss Bobby Robson will have his own thoughts. He'll want to bring in players he can associate himself with from the start and I think it very unlikely that I am included in his plans.

He hasn't said a word to me so far. I've never met Bobby and I don't know him at all. All I can say is that his credentials make him the right man for the job.

His record with Ipswich speaks for itself. He is also a good diplomat who won't upset people and yet he appears to be his own man.



Naturally I'd love to play for him, but it would be hoping for a lot. Whatever the future holds, I have a lot to look back on with pride.

On occasions during my days with Hamburg, Ron Greenwood asked me to come back and play in friendlies to help fill Wembley. No-one can take that away from me.

And my scoring record for England — a goal every three games — is one that not many people can match.

I've had a good run — despite what some people have said. Yes, I've had my critics, particularly over the past couple of months.

I've been criticised for not being fit and they've said I'm over the hill. If I am, where does that leave the other players in this country? I was top scorer in the First Division last season and was honoured to be voted Player of the Year by my fellow professionals.

I've been slaughtered by the public and the press for some performances for England when I know that I've played at least as well



● Above: Paul Mariner offers his sympathy after I had put my header wide against Spain. That could have been my last appearance for England, though I won't give up trying.

as most of the other players.

But when you are a big name, average is not good enough. Other players get away with it but I've set standards over the years and I'm not allowed to fall below them.

I've had my disappointments as well. Missing the World Cup Finals through injury was the biggest of them all. I don't count 27 minutes against Spain as playing in the Finals.

It was also heartbreaking for England to go out of the competition the way we did. A lot of people have said we did well to get that far, but that's only because they never saw us as a good side and didn't expect much.

But the players knew different. We knew we could have gone all the way. To lose out to Germany in our second round group was sickening. Our 0-0 draw with the Germans was the worst game I have ever had to sit through in my life. They were very average and interested only in stopping us from scoring.

My over-riding memory of the competition is not of the new World Champions, Italy, but of the brilliant Brazilians.

I still believe they were the only team better than anyone else. Football was the loser when they were knocked out. Unfortunately even the best teams get beaten occasionally.

*Kevin Keegan*

● Kevin Keegan was talking to 'Match' Editor Melvyn Bagnall



# ROSSI RISES AGAIN

PAOLO Rossi, the 'Prodigal Son' of Italian football, is aiming to add European club honours to his World Cup glory next season.

The brilliant 25-year-old striker who shot Brazil and Poland out of the World Cup and scored the vital first goal against W. Germany in the Final, is now ready to lead next season's star-studded Juventus attack for more honours.

As he celebrated Italy's victory in the Final, Rossi said: "It's great to be back scoring goals and next season I hope will be my best yet. "Wait and see how well Italian football can do and especially watch out for Juventus."



His arm aloft to the Italian fans at the end of the game, Rossi knew he had won his biggest battle of all — the psychological victory over his own doubt.

After his two years suspension from football following his alleged part in the great Totonero bribery scandal, Rossi had played only four League games in Italy before the World Cup began.

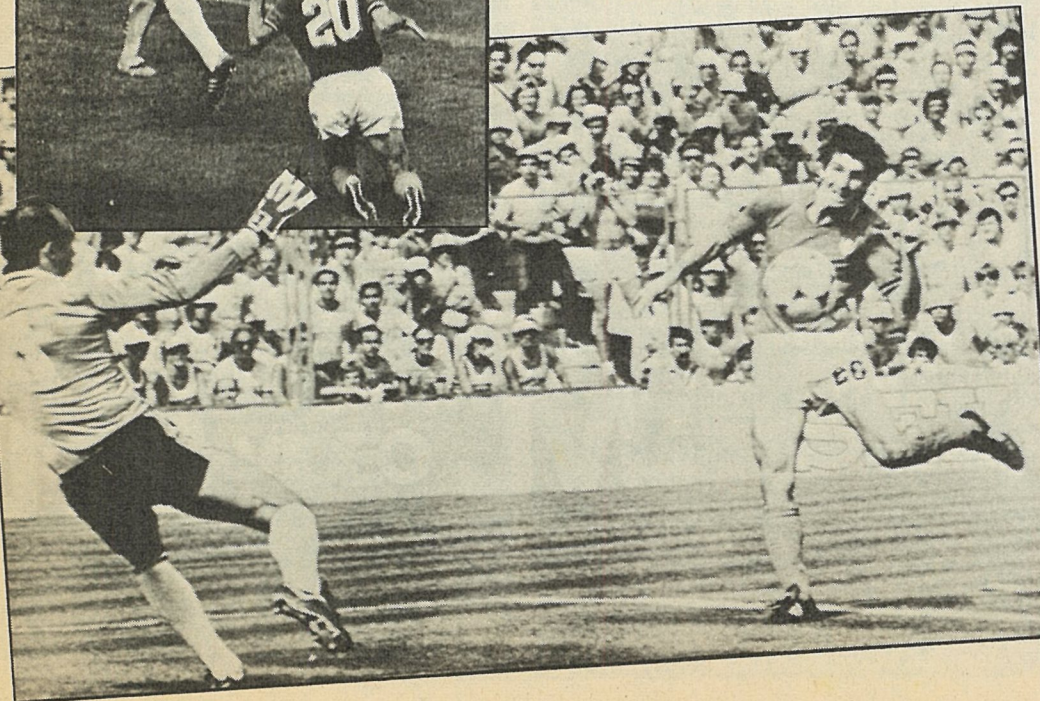
It was a big boost for him when pipe-smoking Italy manager Enzo Bearzot called him up for Spain.

Rossi, born in Prato, Tuscany, in September 1956, and valued at £3 million when he moved

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*Left: He might be on his knees but Rossi (20) was walking tall after scoring this goal — his and Italy's second in the 2-0 Semi-Final defeat of Poland.*

*Below: Rossi scores his and Italy's first goal in the incredible 3-2 victory over favourites Brazil in the Second Round.*



from Juventus to Lanerossi Vicenza and back, was a big star of the 1978 World Cup.

But his two-year ban threatened his career — even though he always claimed his innocence in the scandal.

When he arrived in Spain, Italy struggled for goals and Rossi struggled with them against Poland, Peru and Cameroon.

But Bearzot kept faith in the 'Bambino Del Oro' (Golden Baby) and it paid dividends in the Second Round.

Italy beat champions Argentina, Rossi played well, and they then faced Brazil.

Three goals by Rossi, which he described as "the most important of my life" — a header, a drive and a close range shot — knocked out the World Cup favourites and put Italy in the Semi-Finals for the first time since 1970.

His balance, speed and finishing power made him an overnight legend and Italian fans flooded into Barcelona for the next game.

Again Rossi produced the goods with a tap-in goal and a stooping header to kill off Poland.

He said: "I re-discovered my full confidence with those goals and now I am ready for anything."

That means trouble for Aston Villa in their defence of the European Cup.

Juventus can put Rossi in a line-up including stars like Bettenga, Tardelli, Platini and Boniek — not forgetting a defence including international goalkeeper Zoff and three of the Italian World Cup team's back four!

Exactly why it took Rossi four games to reach scoring form was no mystery to manager Bearzot.

"Paolo played well throughout the Finals but like the rest of the team he had bad luck in front of goal.

"He is a centre-forward who needs to score goals badly and against Brazil he was one of our biggest successes."

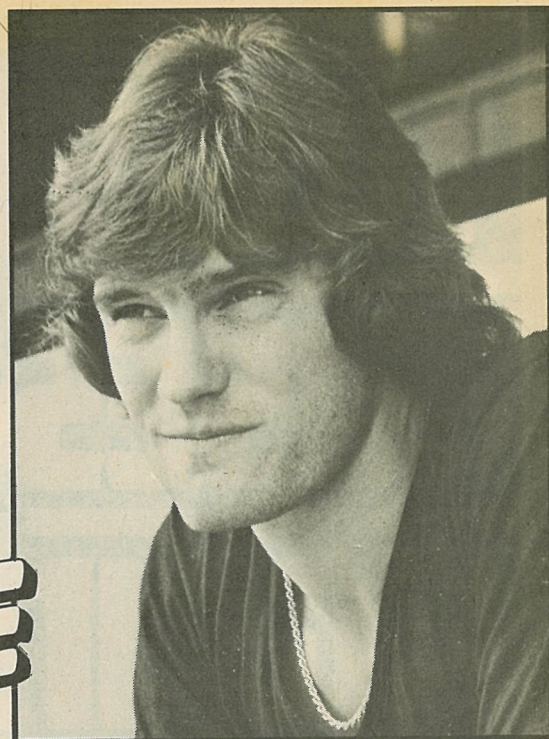
As a result of Rossi's scoring feats, an Italian shoemaker awarded the modest striker enough shoes to last him and his family for the rest of their lives. Another fan made him the present of 1,000 bottles of fine wine.

The Golden Baby of Italy was caught napping with Italy's arrival in the Final however. He had to make rapid arrangements for his wife, Simonetta, and his parents to stay in Madrid and watch him play.



# WE COULD HAVE WON IT!

**SAYS GLENN HODDLE**



THE clock inside Madrid's famous Bernabeu stadium told me there was one minute to go. England still needed two goals and I realised we were out of the World Cup.

It was the lowest point of an otherwise fabulous experience because I firmly believe we could have gone on to win the trophy had we achieved the right result against the hosts that night.

Brazil were out — much to my disappointment — holders Argentina were out and we would have put West Germany out.

We'd already beaten France, who would have been our Semi-Final opponents, and we'd have fancied our chances against either of the other two semi-finalists — Italy or Poland.

It was all so sad watching the closing stages of the tournament on my television back home in Essex because I felt we'd been hard done by and still deserved to be out there.

We had conceded just one goal — against France in our first match — and we were unbeaten.

But I'm not looking for excuses. We knew what we had to do against Spain in our final Second Round match and didn't achieve it.

I think we deserved to beat them but the little bit of luck we may have had in the early round had deserted us.

Had we beaten West Germany, our 0-0 draw against the hosts would have been enough and maybe we should have put one of our chances away against the European Champions.

I've never seen a German side give the ball away quite so often. They obviously weren't happy because they'd been beaten by Algeria in the First Round.

Looking back, I think they were there for the taking but, in the end, we drew 0-0 and I think they were a lot happier with that result than

we were because they knew they hadn't played well.

Before we played our second game against Spain, of course, the Germans beat the hosts 2-1 and I don't think the Spanish goalkeeper Arconada did us any favours in that match.

The only time he played half-decent was against us when we were so desperate to score.

We should maybe have scored a couple of goals, but it would be very hard to criticise.

Kevin Keegan had a chance with a header but it was his first touch after coming on for Trevor Francis and he told me after the game that he didn't see the ball until the last second.

So we found ourselves out of the competition despite remaining unbeaten.

But it has happened to Scotland in the past and we must just take it on the chin and bounce back.

Personally, I feel England did the country proud and, what with the magnificent achievements of Northern Ireland, I hope it puts an end to people running our game down.

It should have restored the fans' faith and I hope it is reflected at the turnstiles next season.

Certainly the performances of Northern Ireland must have captured everyone's hearts. They got as far as we did... and they beat Spain on the way!

We watched their game against the hosts in our hotel and they played out of their skins.

I was specially pleased for my old mate Gerry Armstrong. I've never seen him play so well. He could have every top team in Europe chasing him after his performances.

From a personal point of view, it was a great experience to be involved in a World Cup Finals — I learned so much from watching the best players in the world.

I played a full game against Kuwait and came on at half-time against Czechoslovakia. The rest of the time I was on the bench and, while it was frustrating not to be involved in the action, it was a whole lot worse for those players who didn't get on at all.

No one complained, however. It's all part and parcel of the game.

I felt more sorry for the older players — and for Kevin Keegan and Trevor Brooking, who were both injured, of course. For my own part, I can always live in hope that I might get another chance.

Highspots? I'd have to pick England's opening victory over France and that marvellous match between Italy and Brazil in the Second Round.

But I was sick to see Brazil lose because I

love watching them and I couldn't help thinking how great it would have been to see a Brazil v England Final.

As for the outstanding players of the tournament, I think Brazil's Zico must top my list — even though his team were knocked out.

I said before the Finals started that I fancied him to be the player of the tournament and I don't think he let me down.

It was quite funny in the England hotel because Kenny Sansom was raving about Maradona before the big kick-off and I kept saying Zico would come out on top.

We watched all the matches together and in the end he was just as big a fan of Zico as myself!

All the Brazilians impressed me but, of the others, I think the midfielder Falcao was probably the best and Zbigniew Boniek of Poland was brilliant at times. He scored three fabulous goals against Belgium.

Before the start of the Semi-Finals I fancied Poland would win the Cup. They looked very sharp, all their players had pace and they combined their individual skill with great team organisation.

Italy were always going to prove difficult to beat, however, and if by the time you read this they are the champions of the world, you've got to say Paolo Rossi did it for them.

Other managers might have been tempted to drop him after the First Round but he went out against favourites Brazil, scored a great hat-trick and paved the way for a famous Italian victory.

I can't sign off without mentioning the boss, Ron Greenwood, who has now retired as England team manager.

While I felt sorry for a lot of players, I was particularly sad for him. It would have been marvellous for him to have gone out in a blaze of glory.

In the dressing room after the Spain game, when we knew we were out, he told all the players he couldn't have asked for more.

I couldn't help looking at him and thinking: 'I wonder what you will be doing this time next week.'

He's been in the game so many years and he's such a nice man to work for.

We'd have loved to have given him the best retirement present of all by winning the World Cup.

*Glenn Hoddle*

● Glenn Hoddle was talking to Paul Stratton.

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## World Cup Semi-Final Seville

West Germany (1) 3 France (1) 3  
After extra time  
Littbarski 17 Platini pen 26  
Rummenigge 102 Tresor 93  
Fischer 107 Giresse 100  
W. Germany won 5-4 on penalties.

Right: Pierre Littbarski (7) drills the ball through a crowded penalty area and past stranded French 'keeper Jean Luc Ettori to put the Germans 1-0 up.  
Below: German midfielder Paul Breitner (3) congratulates Klaus Fischer on the overhead kick that levelled the scores at 3-3 and took the game to penalties.

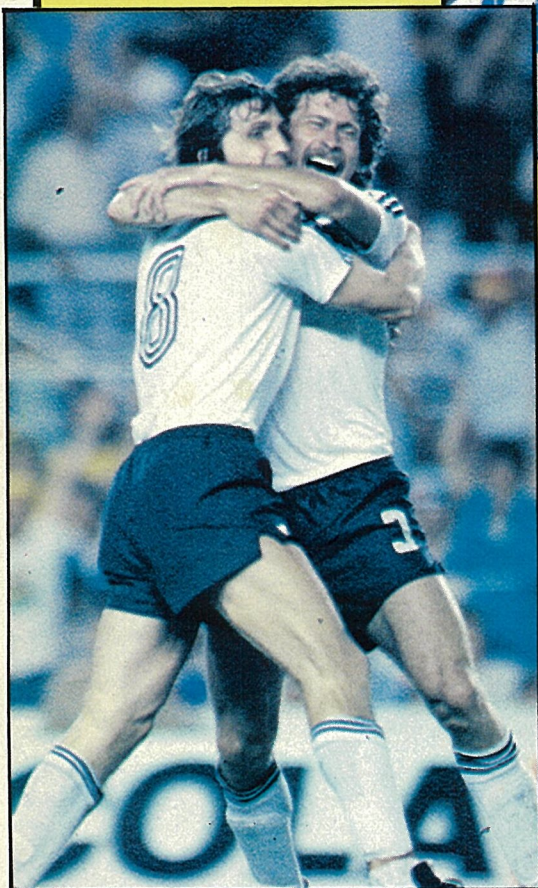


# BACK FROM THE BRINK

WEST Germany came back from the brink against the flamboyant French to win one of the most exciting and dramatic semi-finals in World Cup history.

Humiliated by Algeria in their first game, thankful to get a draw with England in the second round and 3-1 down against France in this incredible game, the Germans called upon all their experience, pride and determination to level the scores at full time.

And then it was down to a heart-stopping penalty shoot-out. Both sides took five kicks, both scored four. But in the first kick of the sudden death decider French defender Maxim Bossis saw his shot saved — and when Horst Hrubesch thumped the next penalty home the Germans were in the Final against Italy.



Above: Karl Heinz Rummenigge, scorer of Germany's second goal, celebrates his country reaching the World Cup Final.

Left: West Germany's Karl Heinz Forster and French midfield genius Michel Platini are grounded but still battle for the ball.





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# ROSSI ON THE RAMPAGE

**ABOVE:** As the inquest goes on in the Polish defence, Italian hero Paolo Rossi wheels away in delight after scoring his and his country's first in their 2-0 Semi-Final victory in Barcelona.

**LEFT:** Italy's Giancarlo Antognoni — later to miss his country's Final victory — prepares to take on Poland's Waldemar Matysik.

**BELOW:** Poland's Andrzej Palasz challenges Italy's Francesco Graziani for the ball.





# PINBALL WIZARD!

## Elton John's 'Rocketmen' give Armstrong no guarantees . . .

GERRY Armstrong — one of the stars of the World Cup Finals — returned home to England unsure of a regular place in his club side next season.

Gerry scored three goals and was hailed one of the best players of the early rounds in Spain as the Irish captured the hearts of the world with their brave bid to reach the Semi-Finals.

But incredibly, the Northern Ireland hero faces a tough battle to make the starting line-up for Watford's first ever game in Division One against Everton on August 28.

Looking back on last season, Gerry says: "I started off in the first team but then suffered a

couple of injuries. While I was out the lads did really well and there was no way manager Graham Taylor could change the side.

"When I did play in the team I was happy with my performances and I believe the boss was too.

"At the end of last season I made up my mind to play all next term, but it's up to me to prove I'm good enough," says Gerry, who made 19 full league and nine substitute appearances as Watford gained promotion.

"To become a successful team you've got to have a strong squad and that's where we are lucky at Watford because we've got 16 players who are capable of playing in the first team.

Ironically, Gerry believes that the fact he didn't play a full season



*Watford's Gerry Armstrong: "It's up to me to prove I'm worth a regular first team place next season."*

for Watford could have helped him in the World Cup Finals.

"Even though the heat was unbearable I seemed to last the 90 minutes quite well and that could have been due to the fact that I was fresher than some of the other lads."

Gerry, who joined Watford from Spurs for £250,000 in November 1980, believes that the best is yet to come from the newly promoted club.

"I'm not going to make any rash predictions and say we'll win the Championship, but I'm sure we're equipped to do well in the First Division.

"We've got a lot of good young players who could thrive in a higher division. But next term the emphasis has got to be on consolidating our position."

Gerry made 84 League appearances for Tottenham — most of those in the First Division — so he knows what to expect next season.

"Players are of a higher quality and if you make a mistake you're more likely to get punished for it.

"I know Watford have a good record against top flight clubs in cup competitions, but playing First Division teams week in and week out will be an entirely different proposition.

"But we are an ambitious club and want to win things, so we've got to get used to the top flight."

Before Gerry gets back to pre-season training with Watford, he's off on a well earned two week holiday to Ibiza — less than 100 miles from Valencia where his

World Cup success story began.

"What we achieved in the World Cup was beyond my wildest dreams. We all went out there determined to do the best we could, but to enjoy the success we did was totally unexpected."

The highlight of the competition for the gutsy Irish was when they beat Spain 1-0 in front of 60,000 hysterical home fans.

Gerry scored the winner which lifted his country to the top of Group Five and earned rave notices for his all-round performance.

"That goal will always stick out in my memory and it rates as the best of the three I scored in the competition. I was pleased with it because I started the move deep in my own half.

"And it was a vital goal to get. We knew we had a chance of beating the Spanish if we sneaked a lead.

"I regard that result as the best ever achieved by an Irish team. We'd never beaten Spain in six previous meetings, but we did the business in the most important clash."

Gerry believes that his country's exploits have earned the team a new respect. He says: "Our achievements will enhance our reputation no end."



*Gerry in action for Northern Ireland — this time against England at Wembley. His performances in Spain earned him rave notices.*

● Now turn to page 15 for the latest in our 'Goal Of My Life' series — a super reconstruction of the Gerry Armstrong World Cup cracker which beat Spain.



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### SECOND PHASE Monday, July 5 Group B

ENGLAND (0) 0  
SPAIN (0) 0

Att: 60,000 (in Madrid)  
England: Shilton, Mills, Thompson, Butcher, Sansom, Wilkins, Robson, Rix (sub Brooking), Francis, Mariner, Woodcock (sub Keegan).  
Spain: Arconada, Camacho, Gordillo, Alonso, Tendillo (sub Maceda), Alesanco, Satrustegui, Zamora, Urquiza, Saura (sub Uralde), Santillana.

Referee: A. Ponnet (Belgium).

#### Group C

ITALY (2) 3 (Rossi 5, 25, 74)  
BRAZIL (1) 2 (Socrates 12, Falcao 68)  
Att: 44,000 (in Barcelona)  
Italy: Zoff, Collovati (sub Bergomi), Gentile, Scirea, Cabrini, Orsini, Antognoni, Tardelli (sub Marini), Conti, Graziani, Rossi.  
Brazil: Peres, Leandro, Oscar, Luizinho, Junior, Cerezo, Falcao, Socrates, Zico, Serginho (sub Isidoro), Eder.  
Referee: A. Klein (Israel)

#### Final placings

##### Group B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
W. Germany	2	1	1	0	2	1	3
England	2	0	2	0	0	0	2
Spain	2	0	1	1	1	2	1

##### Group C

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Italy	2	2	0	0	5	3	4
Brazil	2	1	0	1	5	4	2
Argentina	2	0	0	2	2	5	0

### Thursday, July 8 Semi-Finals

WEST GERMANY (1) 3 (Littbarski 17, Rummenigge 102, Fischer 107)  
FRANCE (1) 3 (Platini pen 26, Tresor 93, Giresse 100)

(After extra time)

Germany win 5-4 on penalties.  
Att: 70,000 (in Seville).

West Germany: Schumacher, Kaltz, Forster K-H, Stielike, Forster B, Briegel (sub Rummenigge), Dremmler, Breitner, Littbarski, Fischer, Magath (sub Hrubesch).  
France: Ettori, Amoros, Janvion, Tresor, Bossis, Genghini (sub Battiston, subbed by Lopez), Tigana, Platini, Giresse, Rocheteau, Six.

Referee: C. Corver (Holland).

ITALY (1) 2 (Rossi 22, 73)

POLAND (0) 0

Att: 75,000 (in Barcelona)

Italy: Zoff, Bergomi, Collovati, Scirea, Cabrini, Orsini, Antognoni (sub Marini), Tardelli, Conti, Rossi, Graziani (sub Altobelli).

Poland: Mlynarczyk, Dzuiba, Zmuda, Janas, Majewski, Kupcewicz, Buncol, Matysik, Lato, Ciolek (sub Palasz), Smolarek (sub Kusto).

Referee: J. Cardellino (Uruguay).

### Saturday, July 10

#### Third and Fourth Place Play-Off

POLAND (2) 3 (Szarmach 40, Majewski 45, Kupcewicz 46)

FRANCE (1) 2 (Girard 13, Couriol 73).  
Att: 20,000 (in Alicante)

Poland: Mlynarczyk, Dzuiba, Zmuda, Janas, Majewski, Kupcewicz, Buncol, Matysik (sub Wojcicki), Lato, Boniek, Szarmach.

France: Castaneda, Amoros, Mahut, Tresor, Janvion (sub Lopez), Tigana (sub Six), Girard, Larios, Couriol, Bellone, Soler.

Referee: A. Garrido (Portugal).

### Sunday, July 11

#### Final

ITALY (0) 3 (Rossi 56, Tardelli 68, Altobelli 81)

WEST GERMANY (0) 1 (Breitner 84).  
Att: 95,000 (in Madrid)

Italy: Zoff, Bergomi, Cabrini, Collovati, Scirea, Gentile, Orsini, Tardelli, Conti,

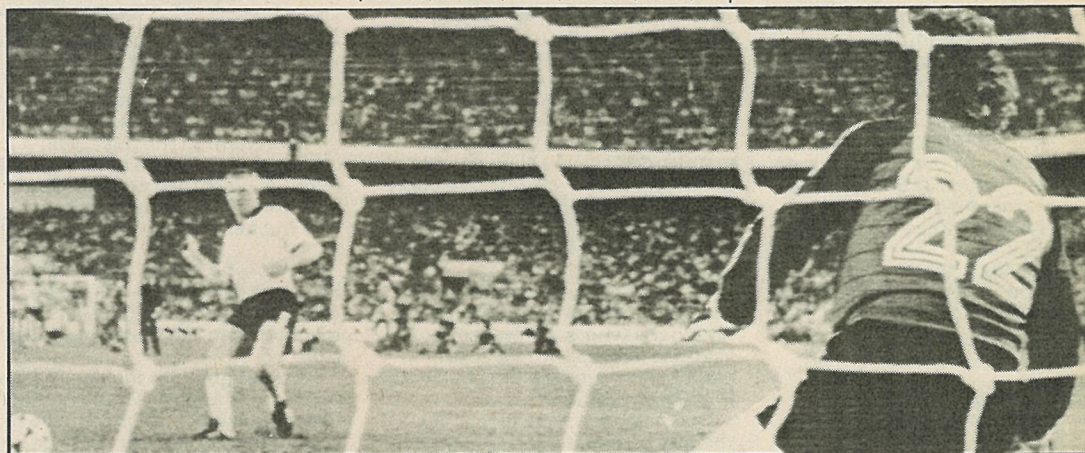
Graziani (sub Altobelli, subbed by Causio), Rossi.

West Germany: Schumacher, Kaltz, Forster K-H, Stielike, Forster B, Breitner, Dremmler (sub Hrubesch), Littbarski, Briegel, Fischer, Rummenigge (sub Muller).

Referee: A. Coelho (Brazil).

## LEADING SCORERS

Rossi (Italy)	6
Rummenigge (W. Germany)	5
Boniek (Poland)	4
Zico (Brazil)	4
Armstrong (N. Ireland)	3
Kiss (Hungary)	3
Falcao (Brazil)	3
Giresse (France)	3
Francis (England)	2
Robson (England)	2
Wark (Scotland)	2
Hamilton (N. Ireland)	2
Poloskei (Hungary)	2
Nyilasi (Hungary)	2
Fazekas (Hungary)	2
Maradona (Argentina)	2
Bertoni (Argentina)	2
Eder (Brazil)	2
Schachner (Austria)	2
Assad (Algeria)	2
Six (France)	2
Panenska (Czechoslovakia)	2
Platini (France)	2
Littbarski (W. Germany)	2
Fischer (W. Germany)	2
Genghini (France)	2
Rocheteau (France)	2
Socrates (Brazil)	2
Serginho (Brazil)	2
Tardelli (Italy)	2



West German substitute Horst Hrubesch sends French goalkeeper Ettori the wrong way to score the winning penalty in the World Cup Semi-Final shoot-out at Seville.

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BILLY BINGHAM

SPAIN 0 v NORTHERN IRELAND 1

World Cup finals, Valencia, Spain, June 25th, 1982.

BILLY BINGHAM's side took on the host nation in the electric atmosphere of the Luis Casanova Stadium in Valencia, knowing that anything less than a scoring draw would put them out of the World Cup.

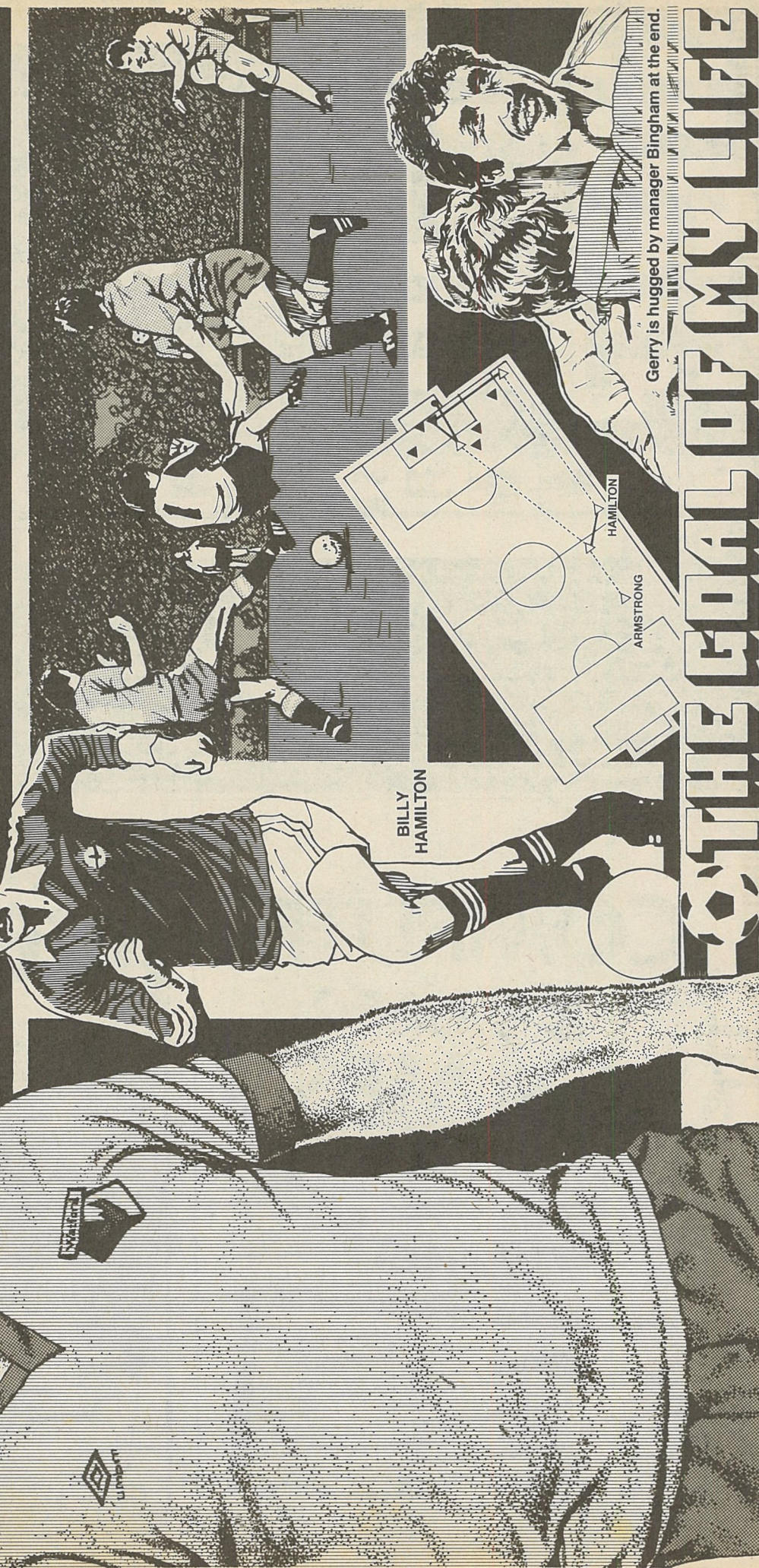
Cut down to ten men when Mal Donaghy was sent off, the Irish battled against the hostility of the crowd and the cynical Spanish tackling to achieve one of the biggest ever World Cup upsets – beating Spain 1 – 0 to top Group 5 and go through to the second phase. 47 minutes into the game Watford's Gerry Armstrong won the ball in defence and set off on a run upfield before pushing the ball wide to Billy Hamilton on the

right. Gerry kept going for the return and when Spanish goalkeeper Arconada could only parry Hamilton's low cross, he was on hand to crack home that vital goal.

Triumphant Gerry said later: "I won't need to watch an action replay of the goal because I'll remember it for the rest of my life. If I play for another ten years I'll never score another goal as important as that one."

"Against all the odds and the most blatant intimidation we beat the Spaniards on their own patch. No-one else gave us a chance of beating the host nation but we knew we could do it."

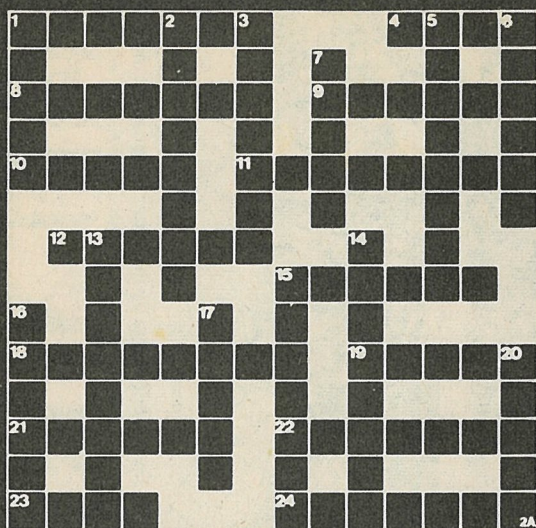
"My goal against Israel last November clinched our place in the finals but, believe me, this was the most important one I have ever scored!"



Gerry is hugged by manager Bingham at the end.

## THE GOAL OF MY LIFE





## Across

1. Mike Fillery was their Player of the Year (7)
4. This beast bounds across the badge of the men from Molineux (4)
8. Welsh international Phil —, who has played for Bristol Rovers and Portsmouth, was recently given a free transfer by Exeter (7)
9. Football is terrific! That's why Doncaster's Steve is in it! (6)
10. Manager who took three 'countries' to the World Cup Finals this year (5)
11. 'Colin Ash' (anagram) — he joined 3 down just over a year ago (8)
12. Players often do this to 14 down... but are usually ignored (6)
15. The ball becomes — in muddy conditions and keepers then find it hard to hold (6)
18. This keeper was an ever-present for Gillingham last season (8)
19. He played for Scotland against New Zealand (5)
21. The two famous Dundee clubs differ only by this single word (6)
22. This keeper, whose clubs have included Plymouth, Luton and Spurs, is nicknamed 'Elastic' (7)
23. A popular word for 'manager' (4)
24. What 14 down do to players who misbehave on the pitch (7)

# SOCCERWORD

## Down

1. First of one of the two Northern Ireland men with the same surname who played together in Spain (5)
2. Defender who played over 400 games for Norwich before adding another 150 with Cambridge (8)
3. Last season they finished with exactly the same number of League wins, draws and defeats as their deadly rivals Spurs (7)
5. A side which — the opposition doesn't necessarily beat them (8)
6. The side at the City Ground (but forget the city) (6)
7. The colour often worn by 14 down (5)
13. His twenty League goals last season were shared equally between north and south — i.e. between Northampton and Southend (8)
14. During the World Cup Finals they also serve as linesmen (8)
15. He scored one of West Ham United's two League hat-tricks last season (7)
16. 'B. Brush' (anagram) — no, not the fox, it's Paul, who has been a 'Bee' for the past few seasons (6)
17. Long-serving Rangers star — Jardine was recently given a free transfer (5)
20. Nowadays, many a club which loses only a handful of matches — its manager (5)

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## MATCH THEM UP

MATCH up the following top foreign stars with their respective clubs.

- |                         |                  |
|-------------------------|------------------|
| 1 Alexandre Chivadze    | A Juventus       |
| 2 Zico                  | B Bayern Munich  |
| 3 Karl-Heinz Rummenigge | C Arsenal        |
| 4 Dino Zoff             | D Dinamo Tbilisi |
| 5 Vladimir Petrovic     | E Flamengo       |

## QUICK QUIZ

TEST your soccer knowledge with this 'Quick Quiz'.

- 1 Who scored England's winner against Scotland in May?
- 2 Billy Ashcroft was given a free transfer by Middlesbrough. Where did he start his League career?
- 3 Who scored the first goal in the FA Cup Final between Spurs and QPR?
- 4 From which Scottish club did West Ham sign Neil Orr?
- 5 Name Aston Villa's reserve goalkeeper in their European Cup Final victory over Bayern Munich?
- 6 Who finished top scorer in the League last season?
- 7 They are nicknamed 'The Royals' and play at Elm Park — who are they?
- 8 Who scored Northern Ireland's first goal in this year's World Cup Finals?
- 9 Two players picked up their 50th caps for Scotland during the World Cup Finals — who were they?
- 10 Argentina's World Cup fate was settled by Brazil — what was the score?

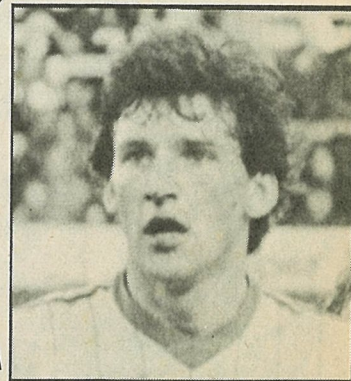
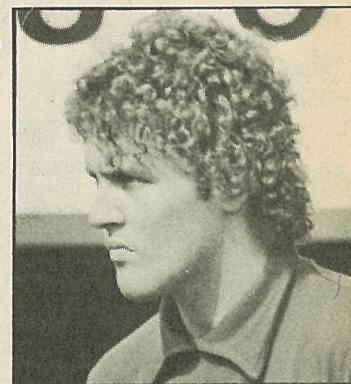
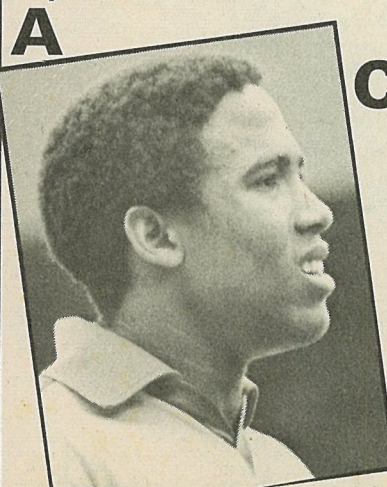
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CAN you name these three First Division new boys who'll be gracing the top flight next season with their respective clubs?

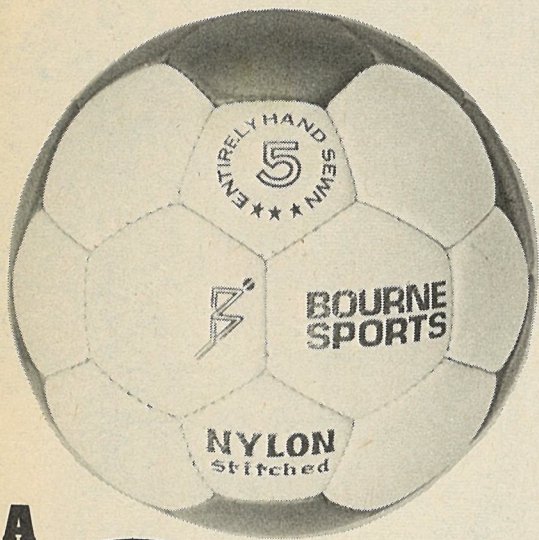


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# TEN BALLS

## to be won



A



B



C



D



## SPOT THE CLUB

CAN you identify these clubs by their crests and the following clues?

- Team A almost had to seek re-election to the Fourth Division last season.
- Team B sacked their manager in the close season.
- Team C play at the Old Show Ground.
- Team D are managed by former Northern Ireland international Bryan Hamilton.

## SOLUTIONS

**SOCCERWORD:** Across: 1. Chelsea; 4. Wolf; 5. Wolves; 8. Roberts; 9. Lister (hidden); 10. Stein (Scotland/Brazil/Jordan); 11. Nicholas; 12. appeal; 15. greasy; 18. Hillyard; 19. Evans; 21. United; 22. Aleksic; 23. boss; 24. dismiss. Down: 1. Chris (Nicholl); 2. Stringer; 3. Arsenal; 5. outplays; 6. Spink; 7. Reading; 8. — Gerry Armstrong; 9. — Asa Hartford and Alan Rough; 10. — Scunthorpe; D — Tranmere.

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Entries must reach us by Friday, July 23 and the results will appear in our August 7 issue.

We'll be giving away a football to the senders of the first ten correct entries that are pulled out of our postbag.



## RIDDLE TIME

I became the first substitute to score in a Wembley Final when I helped my club lift the FA Cup in the early seventies. I'm currently helping a young side in the Midlands restore former glories after spells with QPR, Notts County and Bournemouth.

Don't miss next week's 'Match' to discover the identity of our 'Mystery Star'.

The answer to last week's 'Riddle Time' was: Manchester United and England midfielder Bryan Robson.

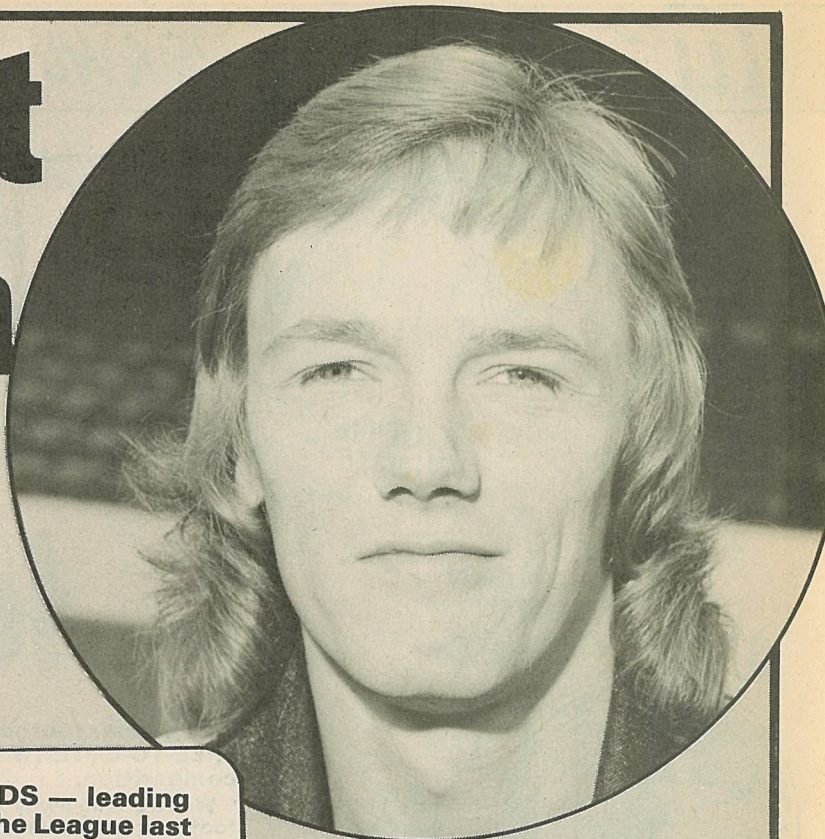
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# 'I thought I'd blown it'

## admits goal king Edwards



SHEFFIELD United super-striker Keith Edwards scored 36 League goals last season as his team powered to the Fourth Division Championship.

Yet the 24-year-old thought that his first goal of the season might have blown his chance of a dream return to Bramall Lane.

He was playing for Hull at the time and it helped them to a shock early-season victory over the 'Blades'.

And Keith admits: "I wondered whether I'd ruined my chances because there was a lot of talk in the newspapers at the time about me moving back to United."

But instead of lessening the club's resolve to buy him, his goal only strengthened manager Ian Porterfield's determination and a couple of games later Keith moved in a £90,000 deal.

It was an ironic move for the player because just three seasons earlier, he'd moved from United to Hull for £55,000.

"I never wanted to leave Bramall Lane in the first place, but at the time my career was standing still because I couldn't get a regular place in the side.

"I felt that because I was one of their least expensive signings — I only cost £250 — I always seemed to be the one that got dropped when things didn't go too well."

But after finishing as Hull's top scorer three seasons in succession, Keith soon found himself in demand again from his old club.

And his amazing goal-rush last season helped the club to promotion and the share of a £6,000 pay-out.

A top soft drinks firm agreed to pay £5,000 to any player who scored more than 35 League goals last season. He achieved that and collected a further £1,000 for finishing up as the leading scorer in the Fourth Division.

**KEITH EDWARDS — leading goalscorer in the League last season — reveals why his first goal of the campaign left him a worried man.**

"The season didn't start off too well for me. I wasn't happy at Hull and I wanted to get away. I just can't believe the difference nine months can make in life.

"I felt I had to leave Hull because I wasn't bettering my career. I wanted a better class of football."

Even though a couple of higher grade clubs came in, Keith decided to rejoin his old club.

He admits: "It was a gamble, but I was certain that United had the potential to get promotion. In fact if they'd been in the Third Division, I'm sure they'd have gone up to the Second.

"I got a lot of publicity for all my goals, but much of the credit must go to the rest of the team. If they aren't providing the chances I can't put them away.

"The season turned out beyond my wildest dreams. I set myself a target of 20 goals last season, but as the campaign went on I just had to keep increasing it.

"I'm being honest when I say that the carrot of £5,000 to score 35 goals didn't bother me. Success for Sheffield United was enough.

"In fact I didn't really think that much about it until the end of the season when the goals really started to flood in."

## Sympathy

When Keith was presented with the cheque for £5,000 his first thoughts were those of sympathy for Bury striker Craig Madden.

"At first I thought that the award went to the first player to reach 35 League goals so I was very sorry for Craig when I beat him because he'd made the running most of the season."

But Keith, who has given part of the money to the Sheffield United players pool, soon perked up when he heard Craig had also won cash.

Craig and Keith came face to face on two occasions last season and in each encounter they both scored.

It was Craig who scored first on both occasions. Keith had to wait until the dying minutes of each game before getting on the scoresheet.

His 35th goal of the season came in United's last home game against fellow promotion chasers Peterborough and was his second of the match.

It was the first time a player had scored that many League goals since Dixie McNeill, now with Wrexham, cracked home 35 for Hereford in the 1975-76 season.

Now Keith is setting his sights on scoring goals in the Third Division next term and he's confident he can score between 20 and 25.

"I've always considered myself a proven goalscorer. I've always finished up as my club's top scorer wherever I've played and that's a record I'm very proud of.

"I believe Sheffield United must be favourites for promotion again next season and I'd love to help them by finishing up as their leading scorer again."



Left: Keith Edwards (nearest camera) celebrates after scoring the first of his two goals in Sheffield United's 4-0 victory over Stockport last season.





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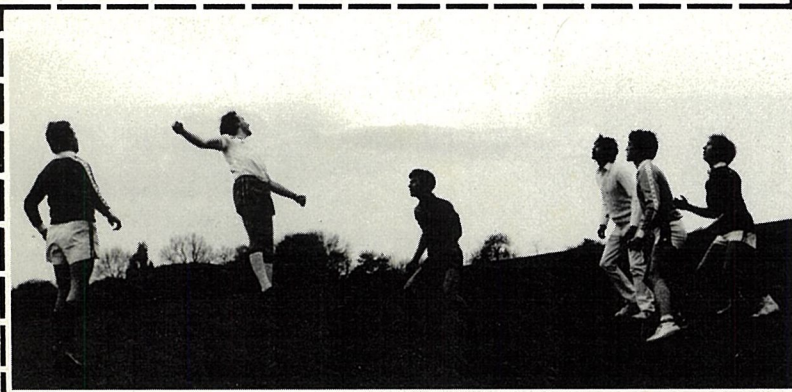
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**ABOVE:** We're in the lead! Italy's Paolo Rossi celebrates his and his country's first goal of the Final with midfielder Bruno Conti (16).



**ABOVE RIGHT:** May the best team win. The two Final captains exchange pennants prior to the start of the match — West Germany's Karl-Heinz Rummenigge on the left and Italy's Dino Zoff on the right.

**BELOW:** All fall over. Italy's Gabriele Orioli collides with West Germany's Uli Stielike in a race for the ball.

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# WIFICO!

**ABOVE:** Paolo Rossi, the darling of the Italian fans, holds the prized World Cup trophy aloft as he leads the team on their victory lap following their 3-1 victory over West Germany in Madrid's Bernabeu Stadium.

**BELOW:** Paolo Rossi (20) dives in to head Italy's first goal backed-up by Antonio Cabrini (4) and despite the challenge of West German defender Karl-Heinz Forster.

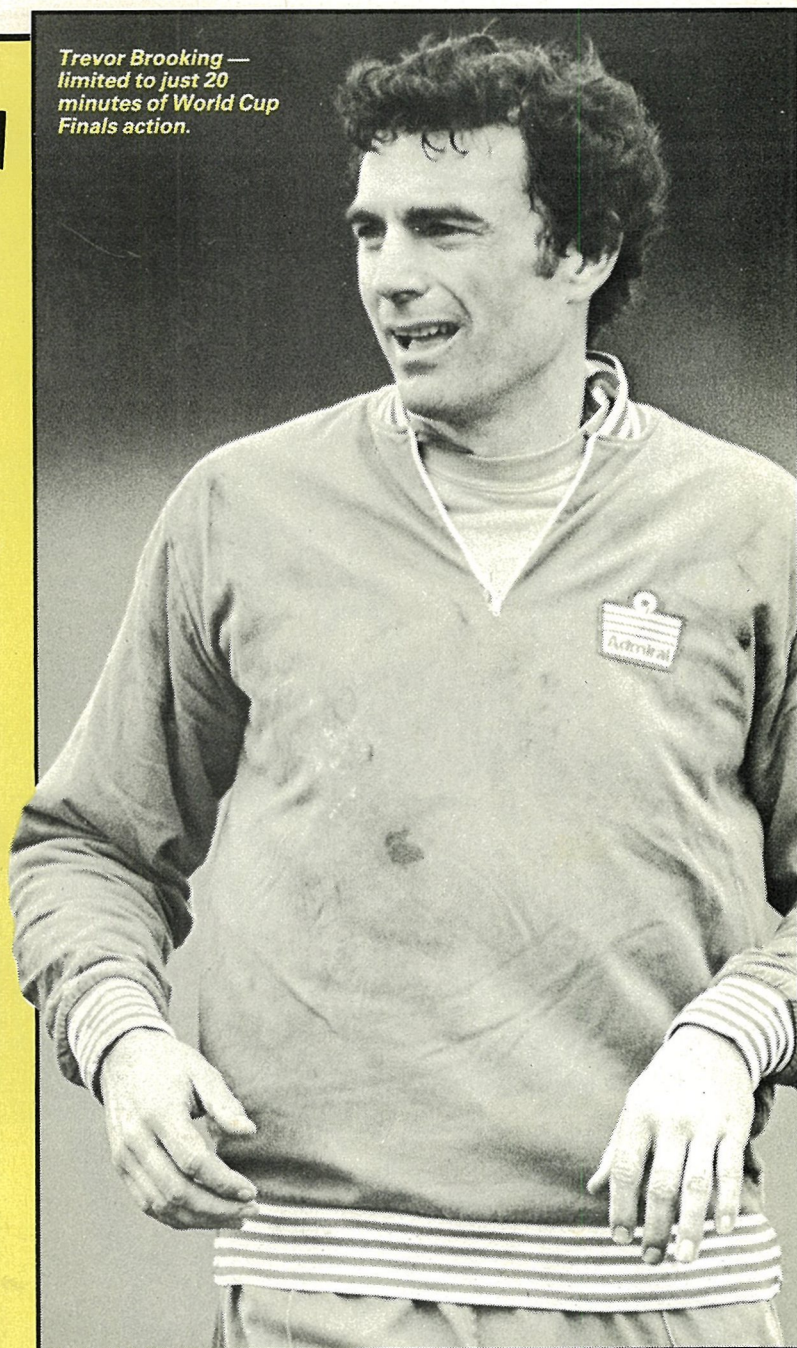
**BELOW LEFT:** Italy's Fulvio Collovati clears the ball to avert the danger threatened by Germany's Klaus Fischer.





# Trevor takes the strain

**'MATCH' talks to West Ham's elegant midfielder Trevor Brooking about the injury that sabotaged his World Cup dreams . . .**



**Trevor Brooking — limited to just 20 minutes of World Cup Finals action.**

**★ ★ ★ ★ ★**

**ENGLAND** midfielder Trevor Brooking has spoken of the World Cup dream which promised so much and yet produced so little.

**Trevor played a major part as England built up a winning run prior to the tournament and was tipped to become one of the stars in Spain.**

**In the end, his World Cup dream lasted just twenty minutes. The West Ham star picked up a groin injury before the team flew out to Bilbao and he wasn't fit until England's last game against Spain.**

**"It was a major disappointment for me. It's every international's dream to play in the World Cup Finals," says Trevor.**

**"But at least I've done it — even though it was for such a short spell," adds Trevor, who replaced Arsenal's Graham Rix during the 0-0 draw with the host nation.**

**"You accept injuries as being part and parcel of a footballer's life and I can't really complain that much. Throughout my long career, I've managed to avoid any serious problems."**

**Trevor first felt the groin injury during England's 1-0 win over Scotland at Hampden Park and**

was troubled by it in the following game in Finland.

"I had an injection before the team left for Spain, but unfortunately it didn't reach the right spot so I had to have another couple when we arrived.

**"I knew I had no chance of playing in any of our opening games so I just kept my fingers crossed that the lads would make it to the second phase.**

**"Even then, I knew I'd face a difficult job getting back into the team because the lads were doing so well."**

Trevor wasn't England's only injury worry. His room-mate and England skipper Kevin Keegan missed as much of the tournament with a troublesome back injury.

**"In many ways, it helped being in the same room as Kevin. We were able to console each other. It would have been much more difficult if I'd been in the same room as one of the lads who was playing," says Trevor.**

**Kevin and Trevor made their debuts in the Finals together, with the Southampton superstar replacing Trevor Francis.**

"It was a difficult time for us to come on because the longer the game went on, the more anxious we became. It would have been great if we could have scored an early goal."

**As soon as Kevin and Trevor came on, England looked much more positive and both players had chances to score.**

**"I felt fine. Although I was short of match practice, it didn't really show as the game was being played at a slower pace because of the heat."**

**"Obviously we were all desperately disappointed that we couldn't score the goals we needed because, following the shock exit of Brazil, we all thought we'd got a good chance of going all the way."**

**"But we came home with a good record. Six months ago people wouldn't have believed that we'd return from the Finals unbeaten.**

**"The only thing that does concern me is the skill and attacking part of our game. The first phase went very well for us but then the goals dried up.**

**"The difference between ourselves and the teams that went through was that they scored the goals when it mattered.**

**"I believe we should work on bringing a few more individuals into the side. They are the players that can go past people and set up the chances."**

**"But we've got to add that flair without losing any of our defensive solidness," says Trevor.**

**Like many of the England old guard Trevor's international future must now hang in the balance, especially with the arrival of a new manager in Bobby Robson.**

He says: "The new manager will have his own ideas and will bring in a few new faces. I'm 33 and time isn't on my side."

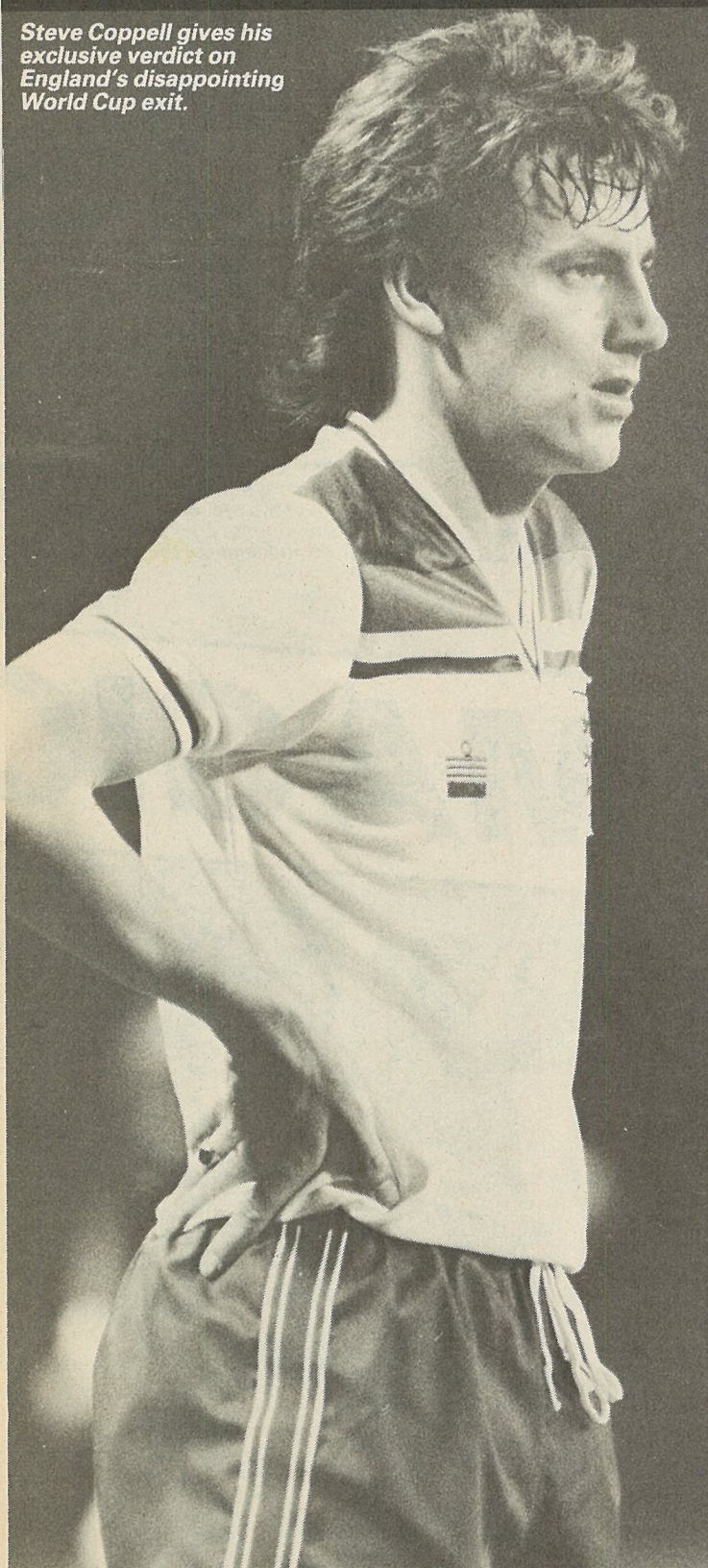
**"But we've got some important European Championship qualifiers on the horizon and the manager will want to get the right results — so I can't see him making sweeping changes.**

**"I'm just looking forward to the new season with West Ham and, if I'm playing well enough, I'd be delighted to play for England again."**



# ANGUISH!

Steve Coppell gives his exclusive verdict on England's disappointing World Cup exit.



## 'I WATCH OUR DREAMS DIE'

**MISSING** out on England's most important game of the World Cup was a horrible experience.

I had to watch from the stands as our dreams of glory crumbled against host nation Spain in Madrid's giant Bernabeu Stadium.

And I never want to go through the same sort of anguish again. It was terribly frustrating watching the lads — knowing that I could have been out there with them.

After playing in all of England's other World Cup Finals games, it was a cruel blow to be ruled out of the big one through injury.

It was the knee injury which I picked up against Hungary last year that flared up once again.

### Surrounded

What made watching from the stands doubly worse was that we were surrounded by Spanish fans. One sitting behind me spent most of the match pounding a big drum and I felt like turning round and telling him to shut up.

But down on the field, the England players were suffering a different kind of frustration. Although they had their chances — both teams did — they just couldn't break down the Spanish defence.

If we could have got one goal, I'm sure we'd have gone on and scored more. The first one was always going to be vital and we didn't get it.

Kevin Keegan and Trevor Brooking came on in the last quarter of an hour and both had chances to score. Had they done so, even at that late stage, I'm sure we'd have gone through to the Semi-Finals.

Unfortunately for us, the Spanish reserved their worst performance of the tournament for the West Germany game and their best for the match against us.

The atmosphere in the England dressing room after the game was dreadful. All the players were just sitting around staring into space. They'd given their all and had absolutely nothing left.

It was sickening to go out of the competition without losing a game. Goalkeeper Peter Shilton put his finger on the button when he said we'd taken three points off two of the Semi-Finalists and yet been eliminated.

It just doesn't seem right but thank heaven we didn't win 2-1 and then have to draw lots with West Germany for a

place in the last four. That would have made a mockery of the competition.

We knew we were good enough to go further and we went into the Spain game full of confidence and in the right frame of mind but it wasn't to be.

To add to our worries, we had a scare when we got on the coach to take us back to the hotel.

Somehow, hundreds of fans had got into our coach park and they were chanting and hurling abuse. When we were in the coach one idiot threw something and it smashed one of the windows.

It was an exit we could certainly have done without!

The Spain-England game marked the retirement of manager Ron Greenwood and I'm very sorry to see him go.

I've never known a happier or more loyal squad than the one which gathered for the World Cup Finals and that was a credit to Ron. During the four weeks we were together, I don't think I heard an angry word or argument among us.

Bobby Robson, his replacement, is in the same mould as Ron and I hope he carries on the good work.

### Highlight

Even though the World Cup ended in disappointment for us, I thoroughly enjoyed the experience. It has to rank as one of the highlights of my career.

I was planning to go on holiday when I returned home from the World Cup, but all those plans had to be shelved because of my knee injury.

The first priority has got to be getting my knee right again and I'll be going to see a specialist in the next couple of days. I just hope it doesn't need surgery.

I can bear the pain. The problem is a build-up of fluid. When that happens, as it did after the West Germany game, I can't run properly.

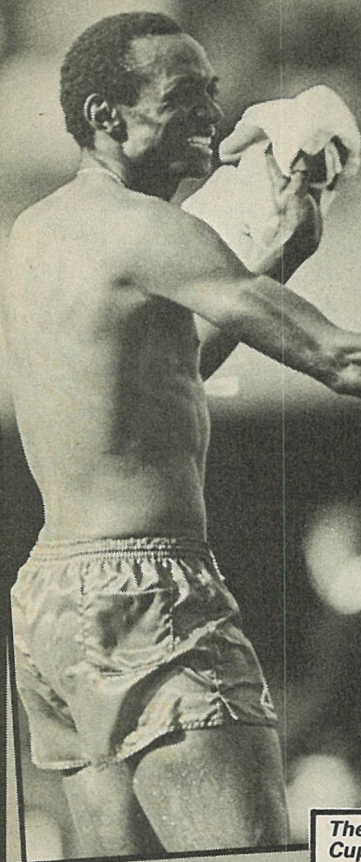
It has been just impossible for me to rest it. I've been playing non-stop for 11½ months and that hasn't helped it at all.

I'll keep you in touch with developments in my next column. Bye for now!

● Steve Coppell was talking to Anthony Hawkswell.

# The STEVE COPPELL Column





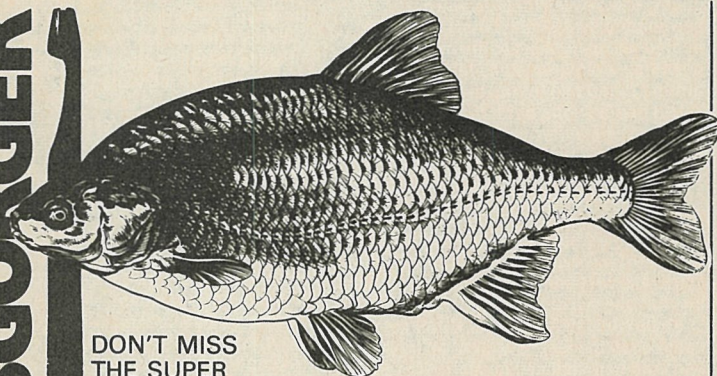
*The true sportsmanship of the World Cup. Italy's Paulo Rossi (right) manages a smile as he swaps shirts with a delighted Michel Kahim of Cameroon after their 1-1 draw.*



*Brazil's brilliant full-back Junior goes over the top as he congratulates team-mate Eder on scoring the winner against the USSR.*

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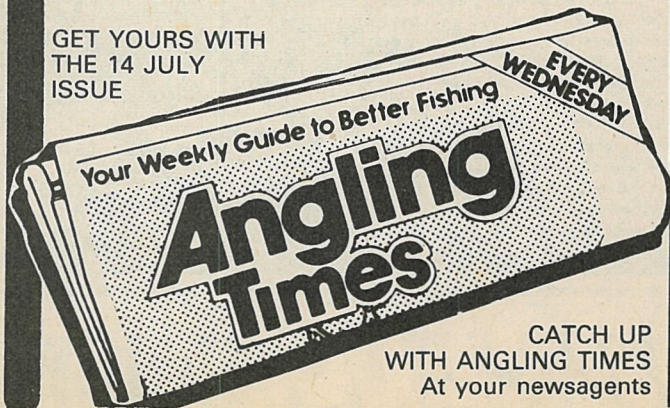


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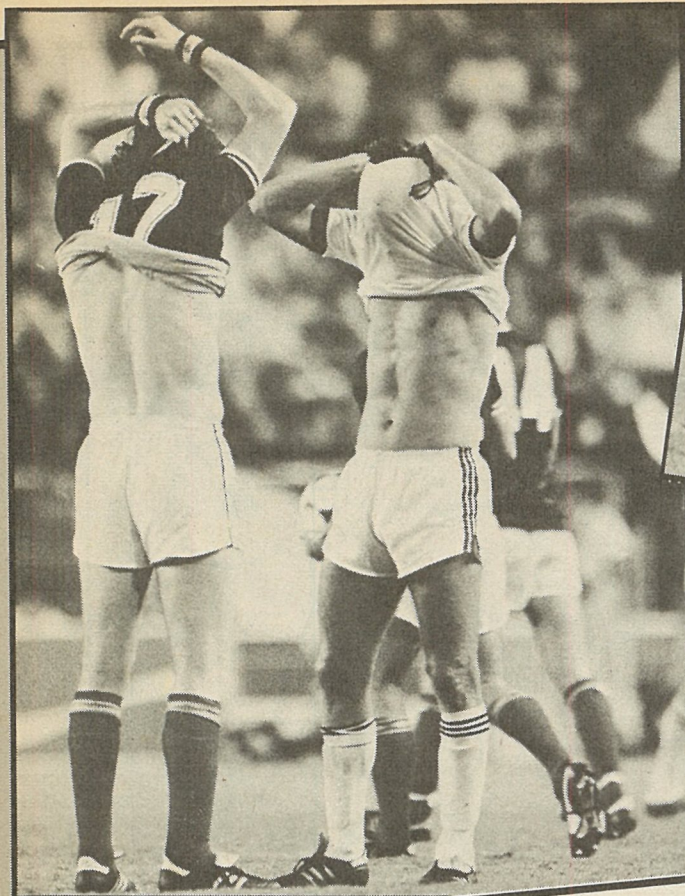
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**Above:** Up and under as Northern Ireland's central defender John McClelland (light shirt) clashes with Roberto Lopez Ufarte of Spain.

**Left:** Scotland's Allan Evans (17) and Steve Wooddin of New Zealand play their own version of 'blind man's bluff' as they exchange shirts.

**Right:** Old pals act. England mascot Ken Bailey meets his Peruvian counterpart before the opening ceremony.



**THE** magic of the greatest soccer show on earth is captured here in this 'Match Weekly' picture special featuring a few of the more light-hearted moments of the 1982 World Cup Finals.

# MOMENTS



**Above:** Out for the count! Austria's Josef Degeorgi is helped to his feet after crashing into the advertising hoardings during the game against France.

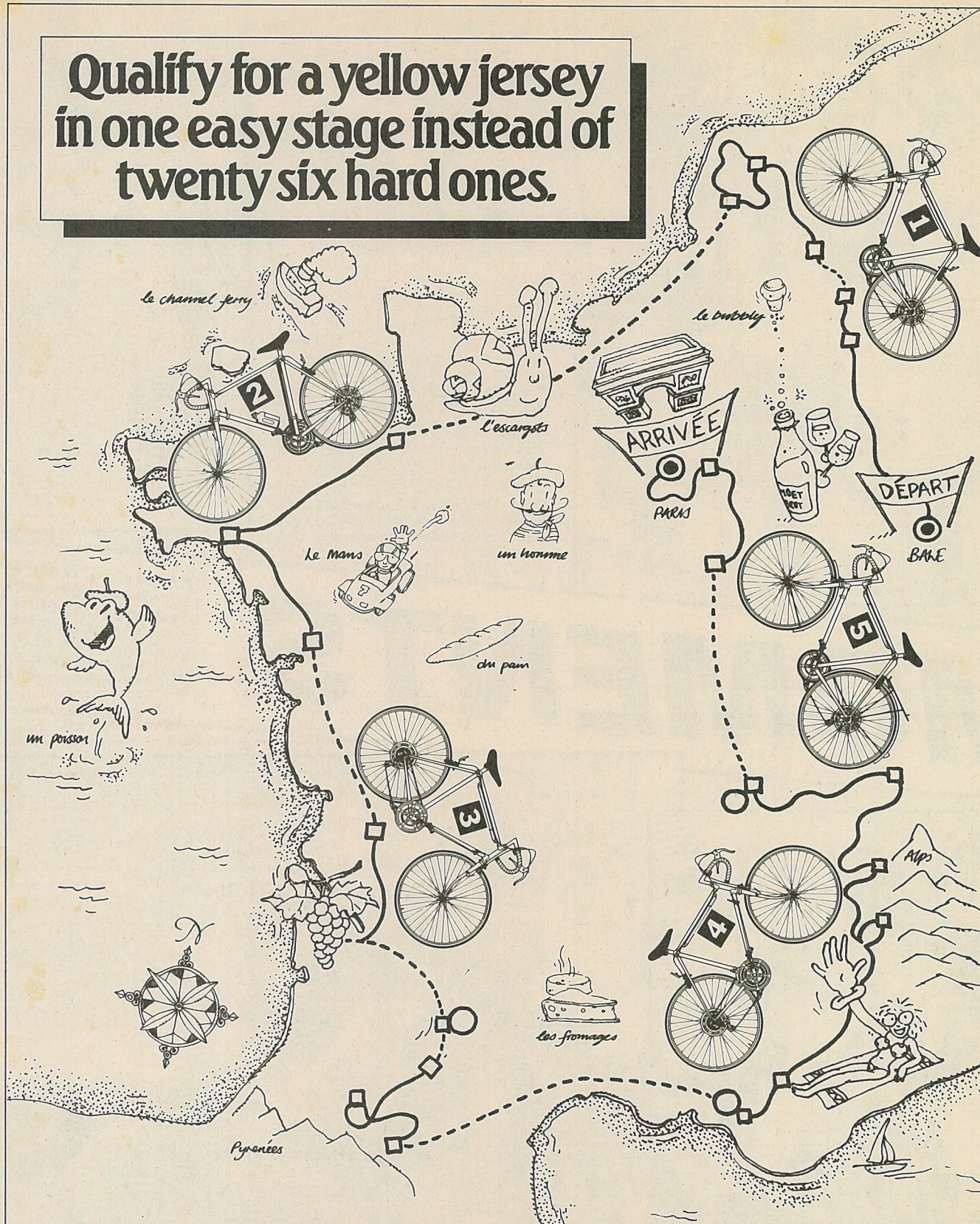
**Left:** You need fans! These Scottish supporters find something to cheer about even though their team had just been eliminated from the World Cup after a 2-2 draw with the USSR.

**Right:** A close marking job on England striker Paul Mariner from a Spanish policeman during the Group Four opener against France.





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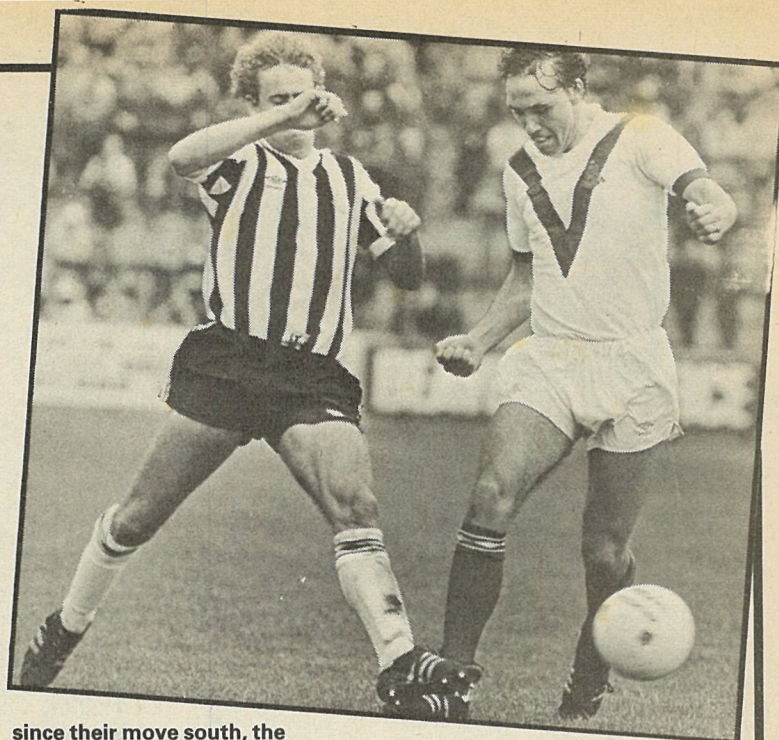
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# SUPER SANDY IS TOP SCOT



**REVEALING** the winner of our Scottish Premier Division 'Matchman of the Year' award for season 1981-82.

The award is based on marks taken from our exclusive 'Match Facts' results service, which ran throughout the season.

In every League game, players were marked out of ten on their performance, so it was consistency that counted.

**SANDY** Clark, West Ham's new £200,000 striker, was the top player in the Scottish Premier Division last season.

The 15-goal Airdrie ace, a 25-year-old replacement at Upton Park for popular David Cross, earned an average rating of 7.35 for his League performances last season despite his old club being relegated.

His mark, worked out from our exclusive Match Facts section, underlines why West Ham manager John Lyall has pinned his faith in the former office worker.

After the success of Scottish players Ray Stewart and Neil Orr

since their move south, the 'Hammers' chief is hoping that Sandy can also produce the goods.

Sandy finished just ahead of Celtic midfield star Tommy Burns, who was bitterly disappointed at being overlooked for the World Cup Finals.

But two of Scotland's Spanish party, Aberdeen defender Willie Miller and much-maligned goalkeeper Alan Rough, finished top in their respective sections.

Willie, prominent in Scotland's clashes with Russia and Brazil, had an average mark of 7.05 but his midfield team-mate Gordon Strachan — an outstanding

Scottish Premier Division 'Matchman of the Year' **Sandy Clark** in action for Airdrie last season. West Ham fans will be hoping he can show the same kind of consistency at Upton Park next season.

success in Spain — had to settle for third place in the midfielder's table.

Alan Rough took another swipe at his critics by finishing as the most consistent 'keeper in the Premier despite Partick Thistle being relegated.

## MATCHMAN OF THE YEAR

### SCOTTISH PREMIER DIVISION

Player	Club	Average
1 Sandy Clark	Airdrie	7.35
2 Tommy Burns	Celtic	7.30
3 Eamonn Bannon	Dundee Utd	7.21
4 Gordon Strachan	Aberdeen	7.10
5 Willie Miller	Aberdeen	7.05
6 Ken Watson	Partick	7.00
7 Alan Rough	Partick	6.97
8 Pat Bonner	Celtic	6.94
9 Paul Sturrock	Dundee Utd	6.93
9 Ralph Callaghan	Hibernian	6.93
11 John McNeil	Morton	6.92
11 Jim Stewart	Rangers	6.92
13 Hamish McAlpine	Dundee Utd	6.90
14 Frank McAvennie	St Mirren	6.89
14 Davie Cooper	Rangers	6.89
16 Ian Ferguson	Dundee	6.88
16 Jim McArthur	Hibernian	6.88
18 Jim Leighton	Aberdeen	6.86
18 Murdo McLeod	Celtic	6.86
20 John Martin	Airdrie	6.85

The table left shows the top 20 most consistent performers in the Scottish Premier Division last season, together with their average mark for the year.

To qualify, players must have played in at least 20 League games for one club.

The tables below show the top ten most consistent performers in the various departments on the pitch.

### GOALKEEPERS

Player	Club	Av.
1 Alan Rough	Partick	6.97
2 Pat Bonner	Celtic	6.94
3 Jim Stewart	Rangers	6.92
4 H. McAlpine	Dundee Utd	6.90
5 Jim McArthur	Hibernian	6.86
6 Jim Leighton	Aberdeen	6.86

### DEFENDERS

Player	Club	Av.
1 Willie Miller	Aberdeen	7.05
2 Craig Paterson	Hibernian	6.83
3 David Narey	Dundee Utd	6.81
3 Roy Aitken	Celtic	6.81
5 Danny McGrain	Celtic	6.77
6 Paul Hegarty	Dundee Utd	6.73
6 Tom McAdam	Celtic	6.73

### MIDFIELD

Player	Club	Av.
1 Tommy Burns	Celtic	7.30
2 Eamonn Bannon	Aberdeen	7.10
3 Gordon Strachan	Aberdeen	7.10
4 Ken Watson	Partick	7.00
5 John McNeil	Morton	6.92
6 Ralph Callaghan	Hibernian	6.93

### FORWARDS

Player	Club	Av.
1 Sandy Clark	Airdrie	7.35
2 Paul Sturrock	Dundee Utd	6.93
3 Frank McAvennie	St Mirren	6.89
3 Davie Cooper	Rangers	6.89
5 G. McCluskey	Celtic	6.82
6 Mark McGhee	Aberdeen	6.77

## MATCH ALL-STARS

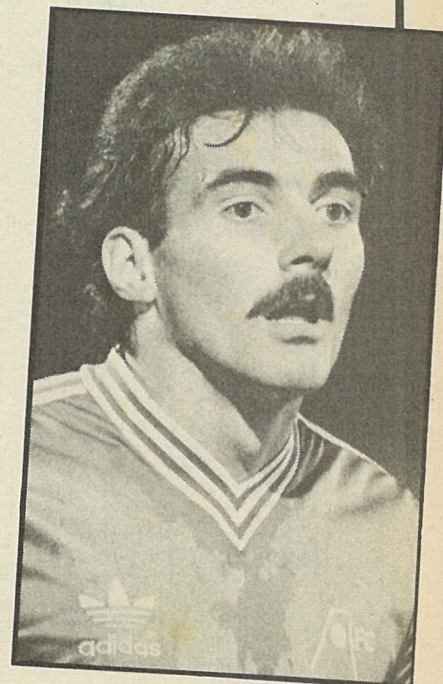
HERE'S the 'Match Weekly' select XI — picked from the top players in our Scottish Premier Division ratings tables:

**ROUGH**  
(Partick)

**NAREY** (Dundee Utd) **PATERSON** (Hibernian) **MILLER** (Aberdeen) **AITKEN** (Celtic)

**STRACHAN** (Aberdeen) **BURNS** (Celtic) **BANNON** (Dundee Utd)

**CLARK** (Airdrie) **STURROCK** (Dundee Utd) **McAVENNIE** (St Mirren)



Willie Miller of Aberdeen — top defender in the Scottish Premier Division last season.



# It's Fun Time



If you know any good football jokes send them in. We'll pay £2 for each one published. Write to: 'Fun Time', Match Weekly, Stirling House, Bretton, Peterborough PE3 8DJ.



"Dressing is always a problem for our all-rounder at this time of year."

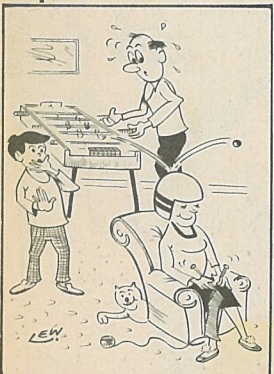


"The referee is manager of a supermarket."

WHAT'S a big game hunter?

A supporter who has lost his way to the match!

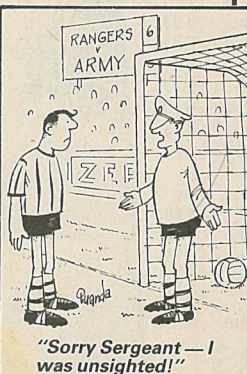
Simon Fuller (11), Stockport, Cheshire.



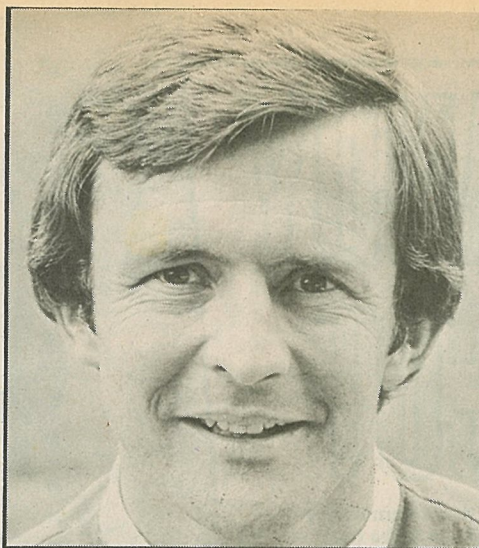
WHAT'S the difference between the Liverpool and Norway Eurovision Song Contest entries?

One wins and never sings while the other sings and never wins.

Michael Harding, Woodford Bridge, Essex.



"Sorry Sergeant — I was unsighted!"



John Hollins — marvellous if his loyalty could be repaid with a Championship medal next season, says Jackie Gardner.

## John's just reward

IT would be marvellous if Arsenal would repay stalwart John Hollins for his tremendous loyalty with a League Championship medal next season.

Throughout his long and distinguished career with 'The Gunners', Chelsea and QPR, John has always given 100 per cent and epitomised everything that's good in professional football.

Last season, 'evergreen' John was an inspiration and example to the youngsters and he thoroughly deserved his MBE award.

A Championship medal next season would be the perfect reward for one of the game's great personalities.

Jackie Gardner, London.

..... Arsenal  
FRANCIS ..... Man City  
MARINER ..... Ipswich

Subs: Clemence (Liverpool), Neal (Liverpool), Hoddle (Spurs), Withe (A Villa), Woodcock (Arsenal).  
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## GOLDEN GOOF

"HAVE the Press missed one of the biggest stories of the World Cup?" asks Adrian Brodwin of London.

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## Spanish fans are slammed

I AM outraged with Spain's World Cup fans. They chant 'Espana' even when Spain aren't playing.

As World Cup hosts, surely they should be more courteous to their guests and only cheer for Spain when they are in action. Christopher Pearce (10), Wanstead, London.

● LET's face it, after seeing their team humbled by Northern Ireland, Spanish fans only feel like cheering when their national side is well away from the action. You're booked.

I'M outraged that Scotland picked Spurs' Steve Archibald for their World Cup First Round match against Brazil.

He was hopeless. His control was terrible and his shooting awful. No wonder Scotland went out in the First Round if Archibald is the pick of their strikers.

Steve Butcher (15), Benfleet, Essex.

● HOW would you like to take on Brazil's defence by yourself? Archibald had to — thanks to Jock Stein's team selection — and he ran selflessly for 90 minutes, which was all that could be expected. You're sent off!

★ I'M outraged with the soccer pundits who wrote off teams like Algeria, Cameroon, New Zealand, Honduras and Kuwait before the World Cup Finals.

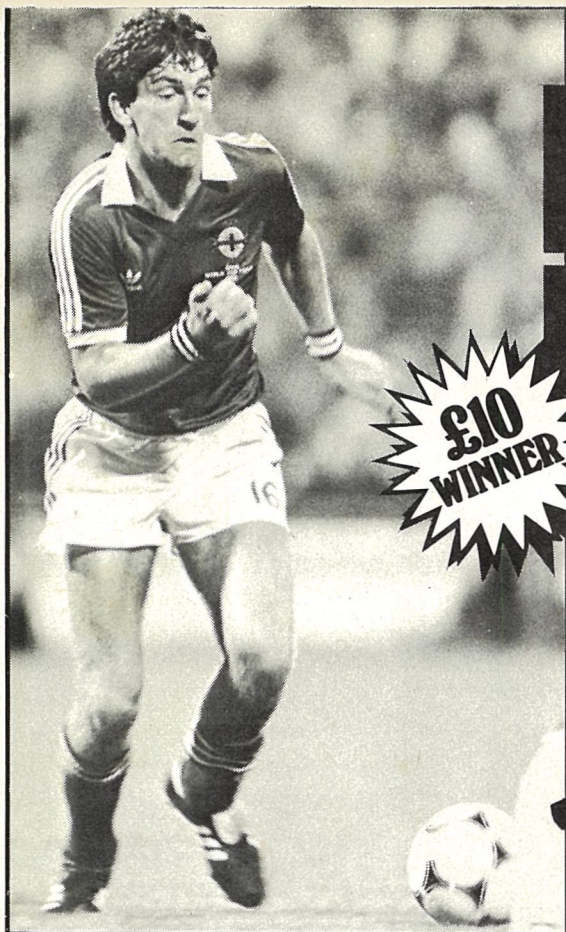
★ I bet they feel pretty sick after watching Algeria beat West Germany 2-1. In future, they should be a bit more careful.

★ Hin-Lun Chan (14), Carshalton, Surrey.

## Rubbish tips ...

● DON'T try and tell me you fancied Algeria to beat West Germany. It's very easy to knock the tipsters AFTER the event. Let's see if I can make you pretty sick... you're booked!





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# NORMAN'S CONQUEST

WHAT a magical World Cup Finals we have been treated to! And isn't it marvellous that 17-year-old Northern Ireland striker Norman Whiteside has been able to play a part in the thrills.

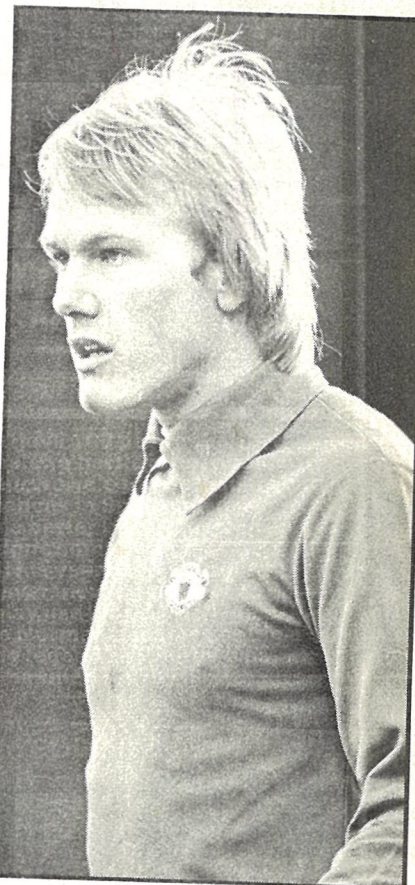
Not only did the young Manchester United forward beat Pele's record as the youngest player to take part in the Finals, but he played his part in Northern Ireland's success story with all the maturity of an experienced professional.

Norman gave 100 per cent effort, wasn't afraid to battle it out against some of the world's top defenders and his experiences in Spain can only make him a better player for United.

He has done something that George Best, in all his years as a Northern Ireland player, never managed to do — actually play in a World Cup Finals. Let's hope Norman becomes as big a footballing legend as George was. Andrew Chapman, Corby, Northants.

Norman Whiteside — marvellous to see him play in the World Cup Finals, says Andrew Chapman.

## TERRACE TALK



Gary Bailey — he's in Nigel Dunham's 'B' team.

## TOP TEN

MY football top ten is:

- 1 Take On The World — England.
  - 2 Take A Chance On Me — Norman Whiteside.
  - 3 Living On The Front Line — Liverpool.
  - 4 Is It A Dream? — Algeria 2, West Germany 1.
  - 5 Abracadabra — Zico.
  - 6 I Go To Sleep — Rochdale fans.
  - 7 Great Balls Of Fire — Jimmy Case.
  - 8 With You, I'm Born Again — Manchester United's Peter Bodak.
  - 9 I Won't Let You Down — United's Arnold Muhren.
  - 10 Goody Two Shoes — Glenn Hoddle.
- Steve Gleeson (16), Hull, North Humberside.

... the letters page with something to say!

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## B-TEAM AT THE C-SIDE!

HERE'S a match to get excited about! My select eleven of players whose surnames start with 'B' take on their star-studded 'C' counterparts;

'B' TEAM: Gary Bailey (Man. Utd), Terry Butcher (Ipswich), George Burley (Ipswich), Tommy Booth (Preston), Kevin Broadhurst (Birmingham), Alan Ball (Southampton), Andy Blair (Aston Villa), Garry Brooke (Spurs), Trevor Brooking (West Ham), Alan Brazil (Ipswich), Peter Barnes (Leeds). Sub: Mick Buckley (Sunderland).

'C' TEAM: Ray Clemence (Spurs), Trevor Cherry (Leeds), Tommy Caton (Man. City), Jeff Clarke (Sunderland), Mick Coop (Derby), Jimmy Case (Brighton), Alan Curbishley (Everton), Gordon Chisholm (Sunderland), Tommy Craig (Carlisle), Steve Coppell (Man. Utd), Garth Crooks (Spurs). Sub: Willie Carr (Wolves).

Nigel Dunham, Newborough, Peterborough.

## RUBBISH, REFS!

THE standard of refereeing in the World Cup Finals was terrible.

On countless occasions throughout the tournament, valid free-kicks and penalties were waved away by the poor officials.

The only team to benefit from the dubious decisions were the host nation, Spain. In their first two games, they were awarded two penalties.

And then there was that terrible decision during the France-Kuwait game. I just couldn't believe it when the referee changed his mind and disallowed a goal because of the Kuwaiti protests.

It's a good job British referees take a firmer line otherwise the English League would be a laughing stock? Hugh Cardiff (12), Dundrum, Dublin.

## PELE LAUGH

MANY of the great comedians of the past came from Lancashire. Now it has produced some more — the directors of Bolton Wanderers.

I've heard some great jokes but the Bolton board's announcement that they were trying to sign Pele as player-manager is a masterpiece!

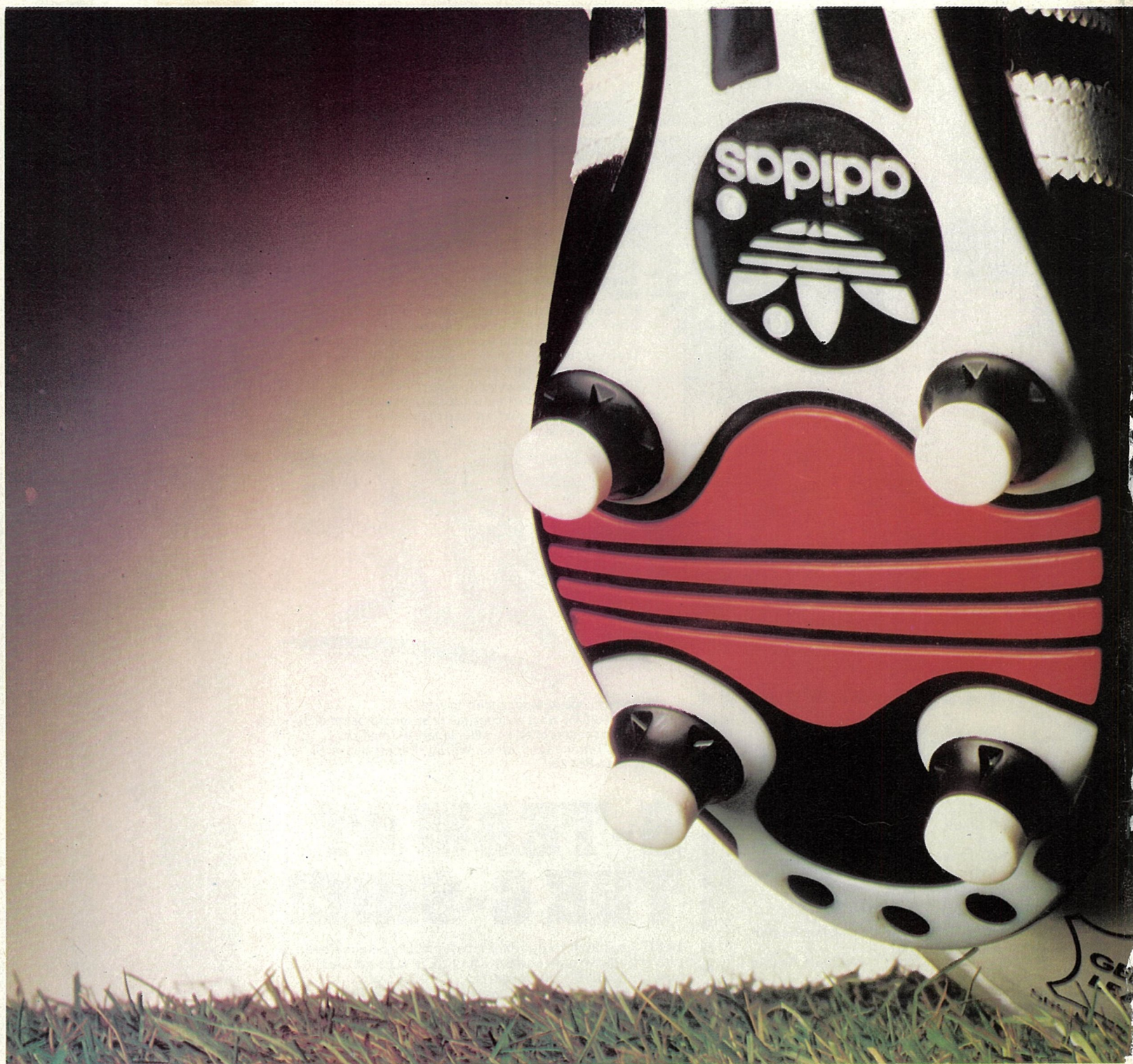
It sounds as if they have borrowed Scotland's World Cup record: 'I Have A Dream.' Jim Cook, Brandon, Suffolk.

## GRIMSBY'S SAVIOUR

EVEN though he finished bottom of Match Weekly's Division Two 'Top Stoppers' table, I would like to congratulate Grimsby Town's Nigel Batch on his performances last season.

He was an ever-present in the struggle against relegation and I can honestly say that if it wasn't for his sometimes miraculous saves, the 'Mariners' would be playing Third Division football next season. Stephen Evison (13), Grimsby, S. Humberside.





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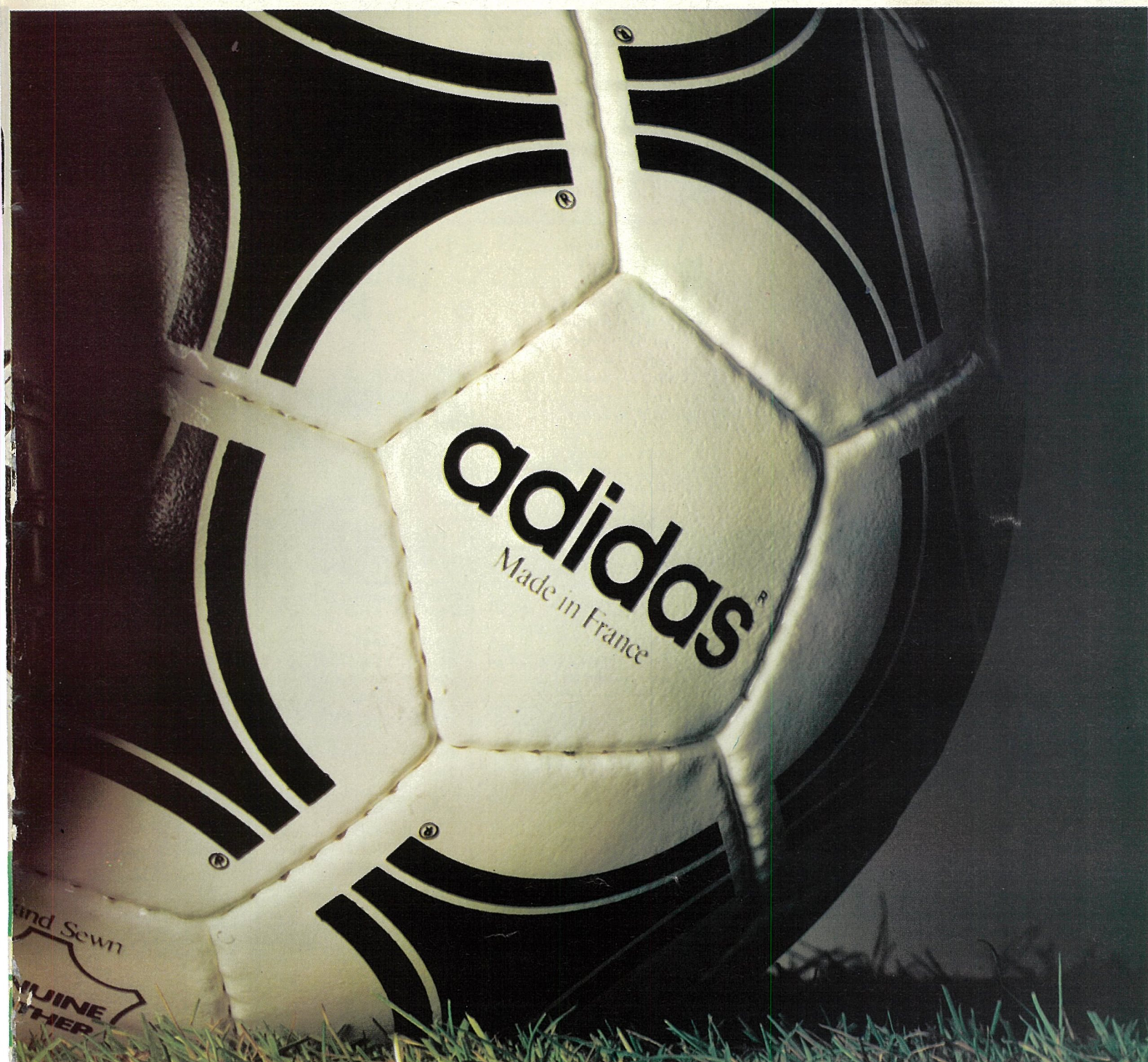
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# goalkeepers.

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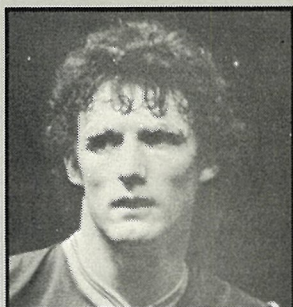


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# YOUR GUIDE TO

## Aston Villa

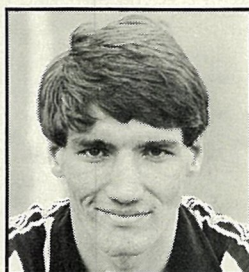
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● **Allan Evans** — *Aston Villa's Scottish defensive ace.*

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● **Mick Harford** — *Birmingham's bargain-buy striker.*

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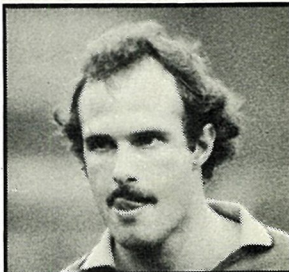
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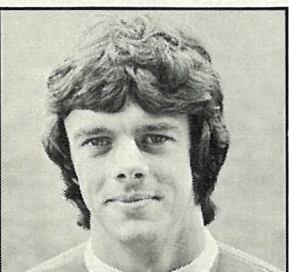


● **Paul Dyson** — *Coventry City's central defender.*

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## Arsenal



● **David O'Leary** — *Arsenal's highly respected skipper*

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# DIVISION ONE

**NEXT WEEK:**  
The rest of  
Division One

**HERE'S your chance to compile a complete record of all this season's First Division fixtures. We have put together a detailed guide to the season's fixtures, listing the date of every game and whether it is home or away. This week we start with the fixtures of ten First Division clubs. The others will follow next week.**

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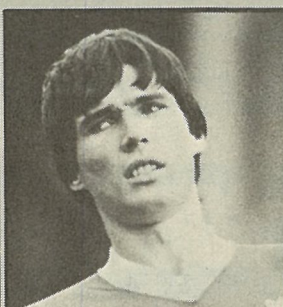
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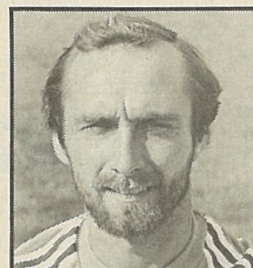
## Liverpool



● Alan Hansen — Liverpool's Scottish defender.

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● Brian Horton — leading Luton into the First Division.

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## Man City



● Tommy Caton — Manchester City's talented young defender.

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# GLENN'S GAMBLE

## But Roeder's confident he's on a winner with Rangers

'Match' talks to the Second Division skipper who aims to make up for the disappointment of FA Cup Final defeat with promotion next season.

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CLASSY defender Glenn Roeder has gambled on Queen's Park Rangers achieving promotion from the Second Division next season.

The 25-year-old skipper has rejected a First Division club and a lucrative bid from America to stay at Loftus Road.

But while he's committed himself to Rangers for the next four years he's confident he will be leading the beaten FA Cup finalists back into the top flight next term.

"This new contract was an important one coming in the middle of my career, but I believe I've made the right decision," says Glenn, who missed the Cup Final replay defeat by Tottenham through suspension.

"Obviously I expect Rangers to get promotion next season.

"Mind you, I've said that for the past three years and we are still in the Second, but I do feel we are now well equipped to achieve it next season.

"I think we showed in the two Wembley clashes with Tottenham that we would do well in the First Division.

"Apart from two or three teams, there are no sides to fear in the First Division.

"I'm not saying that we would win the Championship, but I could see us doing just as well as Swansea did last season.

"But no team has a divine right to be in the First Division and it's getting harder every year to get out of the Second.

"I'm sure that manager Terry Venables will strengthen the squad if necessary, and provide

even more competition for places.

"It's important to get off to a good start, but there are 42 games in a season so it's not a sprint race."

Glenn spent half a season in the First Division when Rangers were relegated three years ago, and he knows that's the place to be.

"It's a different world although at the time I got my chance we were already on our way down," he says.

"I was offered the chance of First Division football next season. I can't say who it was except to say it was a club north of Watford.

"But it could have been a short-sighted policy. They might have been relegated next season and Rangers promoted, and I'd be back where I started."

Glenn's offer from America came while Rangers were on an end-of-season trip to the States, taking in games with San Jose and Tulsa.

"A club representative contacted me in America and made me a fantastic offer. The money they were offering was ridiculous," says Glenn.

"But I wasn't really interested. I'm not saying that I'm not interested in money, but at this stage I want to put my career first.

"If I spent three years in America, I would find it difficult to get back into the English game."

Glenn Roeder — rejected a First Division club to help steer Rangers back to the top.



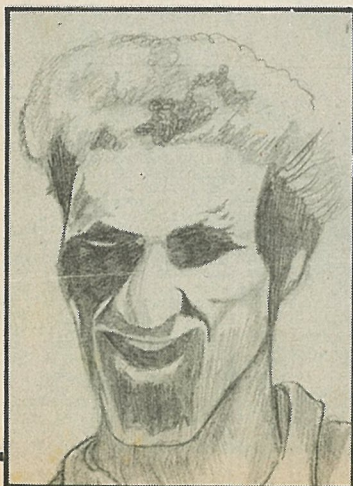


Above: Southampton skipper Kevin Keegan. "I drew him because he is one of today's best players and certainly one of my favourites," says Debbie Webb (13) of Forest Gate, London.

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Right: "Ray Clemence is a skilled and experienced player," says Philip Sydenham (12) of Exeter.  
Below: Christopher Evans of Rugeley, Staffs, says of West Germany skipper Karl-Heinz Rummenigge: "He provides superb entertainment."



# LONG-DISTANCE WALKER

BRAZIL were playing their first match in qualifying for the ARGENTINA World Cup Finals when Mike Walker last missed a League game for Colchester.

That was back in February 1977 and another World Cup tournament has come and gone since then.

In that time, Mike has run up a remarkable total of 241 consecutive League appearances.

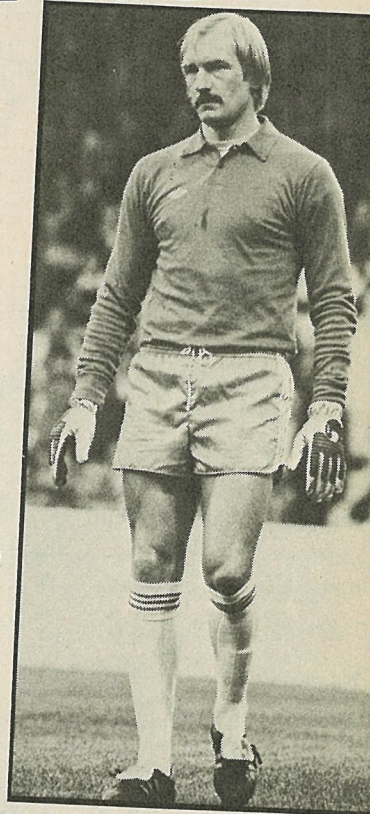
It's a sequence that no other goalkeeper in the League can match.

During the course of last season, when Colchester just failed to regain Third Division status at the first attempt, Mike completed two personal milestones.

The former Welsh Under-23 international completed his 400th League appearance for the Essex club and his 600th in all — covering spells with Shrewsbury, York, Watford, Charlton (on loan) and now Colchester.

Like defender Micky Cook, another of Colchester's ever-present players last season, Mike has become something of an institution at Layer Road.

Full-back Cook has chalked up 536 League appearances for the club and they have accumulated nearly 1,000 League games between them in Colchester colours.



Colchester's Mike Walker — unbroken sequence of 241 League appearances for the club.

## EVER-PRESENTS

An exclusive 'Match Weekly' guide to last season's Fourth Division ever-presents — those players who never missed a League game for their clubs.

### DIVISION FOUR

Club	Player	Total apps. for club	Total League apps.	Goals last season	Total goals for club	Total goals in career
ALDERSHOT	Paul Bennett	113	334	1	2	6
BLACKPOOL	Terry Pashley	155	173	1	4	4
BOURNEMOUTH	Chris Sulley	54	54	0	0	0
BRADFORD	Cec Podd	435	435	0	1	1
	David McNiven	188	210	19	60	66
BURY	Craig Madden	128	128	35	56	56
COLCHESTER	Mike Walker	409	613	0	0	0
	Micky Cook	536	536	4	18	22
	Kevin Bremner	80	80	22	30	30
CREWE	Kevin Lewis	122	137	1	1	1
	Bob Scott	134	266	3	7	10
DARLINGTON	Pat Cuff	76	120	0	0	0
	David McLean	123	147	7	15	15
HALIFAX	David Evans	130	132	3	7	7
HEREFORD	Winston White	138	150	8	18	19
NORTHAMPTON	Andy Poole	141	141	0	0	0
PETERBOROUGH	Micky Gynn	113	113	6	16	16
	Robbie Cooke	92	107	24	46	47
PORT VALE	Mark Harrison	70	70	0	0	0
STOCKPORT	Steve Sherlock	126	128	3	7	7
TORQUAY	Vince O'Keefe	108	161	0	0	0
TRANMERE	David Burgess	46	46	0	0	0
WIGAN	Colin Methven	127	127	8	12	12
YORK	Derek Hood	104	128	8	9	9



**SPOTLIGHT** on Aston Villa's much-travelled striker Peter Withe and his battle to make his mark at international level.

## PETER WITHE TELLS MATCH WEEKLY ...

# 'MY BEST IS YET TO COME'

THIRTY-year-old striker Peter Withe returned from the World Cup Finals untried but unbowed — convinced his best years are yet to come.

Peter, sentenced to a spectator's role in Spain by the form of first choice centre-forward Paul Mariner, told 'Match Weekly':

"I was a late developer. I didn't come into the game until I was in my early twenties and I feel I'll hit my peak in the next few years."

So Peter's international sights are now aimed at claiming the number nine shirt for the European Championship qualifiers which begin later this year.

Says Peter: "My international appearances have been limited, but it's only in the last year that I've come into the reckoning."

"It's been largely thanks to the success Aston Villa have enjoyed — first of all in winning the League and then the European Cup."

"If Villa have another success next season it can only help my international chances."

"I believe the last two seasons were my best on a personal level, but I also believe my game is getting better all the time."

"I'm always setting myself

targets — pushing myself to go one better and break new barriers each season.

"Paul Mariner is the man in possession of the England number nine shirt now but it's up to everyone else — myself included — to push him all the way."

"I'm currently Villa's centre-forward, but there are players who want my job — keeping me on my toes all the time. It's the same at international level."

"I certainly don't feel the World Cup was my last chance with England. There are still a few good years left in me."

"Okay, I'm 30 now but I believe in looking after myself and training during the summer. I enjoy it and the longer I can keep playing the better it will be."

"My ten-year-old son Jason is a budding centre-forward himself and he often comes for a run with me."

The closest Peter came to seeing any action in the World Cup Finals was a brief warm-up on the touchline during one of England's first round matches but he describes the Finals as a "brilliant experience".

"Just being involved with the



Peter Withe — "I feel I'll hit my peak in the next few years."

Inset: Paul Mariner — the man currently in possession of England's number nine shirt.

best players, top coaches and managers in the country means you can learn so much.

"I was on tenterhooks as to whether or not I would go to Spain and it was a great thrill to be out there even though I didn't get a game."

"As for the England performances, I think they proved a lot of people wrong."

"After the enigma of qualifying for the Finals, the team was being written off in a lot of quarters."

"But everyone in the England camp was so determined it was felt the team could go all the way to the Final — especially after watching the opposition."

"We had done well in the opening round because we scored goals. Against West Germany and Spain in the second phase we were creating chances, but the ball just wouldn't go in the net."

"It was just the opposite for Italy, who struggled to put it together in the opening games and

then knocked out the favourites Brazil to earn their Semi-Final place against Poland."

"However, I believe England proved that we are not as far behind in world football terms as some people would have us think."

"We have proved ourselves to be the best at club level by winning the European Cup for the past six years."

"Hopefully, we can prove ourselves further at international level with success in the European Championship."

Should he get his chance in those Championships, Peter, capped six times by England so far, will be looking to score his first goal for his country.

"Your first cap is great and it must feel just as good to make that first strike for England."

"I've always said that I can score goals given the opportunity and, being a goal-scorer, you always want to be remembered for hitting the net."



# 'EUROPEAN CUP MEANT NOTHING'

**confesses new Charlton signing Terry Bullivant**



**NEW** Charlton signing Terry Bullivant threw away a European Cup Final winner's medal last season and he doesn't regret it!

Having been on the sub's bench for most of Aston Villa's glorious European Cup campaign, he was virtually certain of figuring in the squad for the Final showdown with Bayern Munich.

But, just before the Semi-Final, second leg clash in Anderlecht, he asked new manager Tony Barton for a move, and surrendered his place among the five Villa subs.

"Having managed just ten full League appearances in three seasons, I was totally fed-up with reserve team football," says Terry.

"I could see no future at Villa, and with my contract

coming to an end, I felt the time was right for a complete break.

"So I saw Tony Barton before the game in Anderlecht and asked for a move.

"I suppose I threw away a European Cup Final medal, but it wouldn't have meant anything to me, having not kicked a ball in the competition.

"To be fair to Villa, I was told when signed by manager Ron Saunders that I wasn't guaranteed a first team place," adds Terry, who made 101 League appearances for Fulham before grabbing the chance of First Division football.

"He explained that I would be in the senior squad as cover for men like Des Bremner, Dennis Mortimer and Gordon Cowans, and that I would only get the chance through injury.

"But I felt it was worth the risk, and I have no regrets about going to Villa despite my limited appearances.

"I believe that I am going to Charlton a much better player than if I had stayed at Fulham.

"My confidence has been given a boost by being part of a big First Division club and playing with better players."

Terry received several offers before settling for Second Division Charlton whose new manager, Ken Craggs, signed him as a schoolboy at Fulham.

His previous association with Ken, who took over from Alan Mullery, was one of the main reasons why Terry plumped for The Valley.

*Above: Terry Bullivant — can't wait for those Saturday morning butterflies again. The consistency of midfield players like Des Bremner (right) kept him out of the Villa side.*

"I wanted to stay in the Midlands or return to London, so when Ken came in with an offer I jumped at the chance," says Terry, a £90,000 signing.

"Players at Charlton like Leighton Phillips, Terry Naylor, Don McAllister and Carl Harris are used to winning things at the top level and that forms good habits.

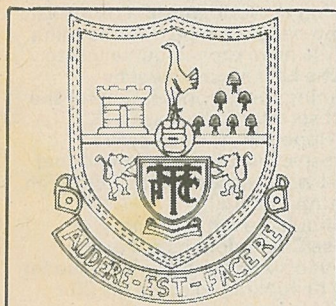
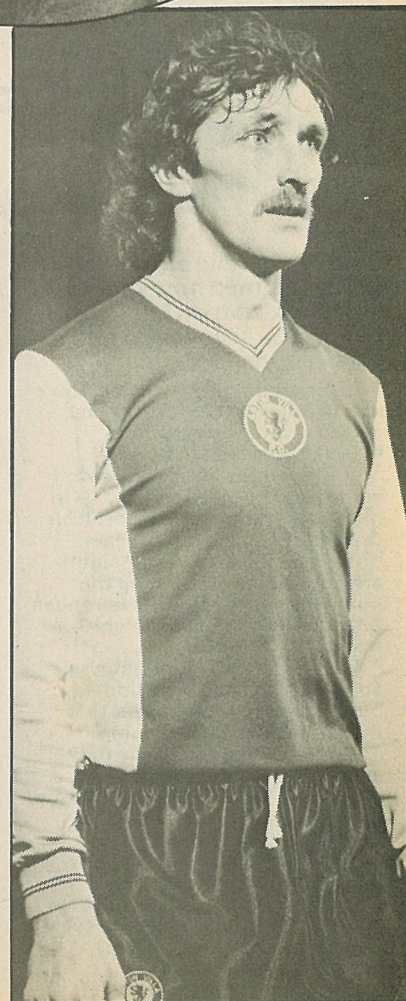
"I'm sure that Charlton have the potential to be among the candidates for promotion this season, and that's why I've joined them.

"It's been said that Charlton lack ambition, but having paid out a total of £180,000 for myself and Carl Harris from Leeds, it's obvious they mean business.

"What I am looking forward to most is waking up on a Saturday morning and feeling nervous.

"I lost that feeling in the reserves at Villa.

"With all due respect to the Bury's and Huddersfield's of this world, we went to those places in the reserves expecting to win and most times we did. There was no tension or nerves."



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# EDDIE AT THE HELM

EDDIE Gray was a starry-eyed 15-year-old when he first joined the groundstaff at Elland Road.

Leeds United were a Second Division outfit then — just as they are again now.

But this season Eddie finds himself in the role of boss rather than boot cleaner.

The 36-year-old was appointed player-manager during the World Cup Finals — following the departure of former boss Allan Clarke and his assistant Martin Wilkinson.

And in taking the job, Eddie was landed with the task of restoring the First Division status the club had held for 17 years.

But the man who has won over the hearts of Leeds fans from just about every position on the field down the years, looks ahead to the new season confident the good old days are on their way back to Elland Road.

He has faith in the same players who failed to keep Leeds in the First Division last season and his first job was to ensure peace of mind.

"You've got to have happy players and that was my first job.

"I tried my best to make sure everyone was settled.

"I gave them a chance to express their views freely because I didn't want to see anyone go.

"There was no money for me to add new players to the squad so the people at the club represented our promotion hopes."

Playing for and managing Leeds is no easy task, but coincidentally Eddie is about the same age Don Revie was when he took on that same role.

And Leeds fans won't need reminding of the success Revie brought to the club — his efforts eventually earning him the prestigious job of England team manager.

As for his football philosophy, Eddie says: "It's very simple. Don't let any goals in and score as many as you can at the other end!"

And the style of football he wants to see Leeds play? "Winning football," he says with a laugh.

"I'm loathe to make comparisons but Liverpool are an example of a good team — the whole team attacks and the whole team defends."

Certainly if Eddie can copy the Liverpool style there will be few complaints from Leeds fans.

But there are no rash predictions from quiet-man Eddie... and no public demands for greater discipline which is often the case when a new man takes over a struggling side.

"My players are grown men and professional people. They know what is required of them and if they fall short they will be disciplined — but I will be treating them like adults and not like schoolboys.

"There will be no written rule book to carry around.

"No doubt they'll start calling me 'boss'!



Eddie Gray — "The players here are good enough to take us back to Division One."

just as I did with Allan Clarke, but that's only natural. I shall not insist on it.

"We've got some very good players here and I think they are good enough to take us back to Division One although it's not going to be easy.

"There are some very good sides in Division Two and it will take a lot of hard work to get out."

Eddie, Leeds' seventh manager in eight years, was away on holiday when all the speculation arose about Allan Clarke's future as manager.

But he says: "It wouldn't be true to say that I was taken completely by surprise when the board asked me to meet them and discuss the job.

"Once I knew Allan was going I thought I might be in with a chance being a senior player and knowing the club as I do.

"After all, I was 15 when I joined the groundstaff in 1963. I've seen a lot happen and worked with a lot of managers.

"So I can't say I was surprised but I was delighted."

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THE six lucky winners of the 'Spot the Difference' competition which appeared in the June 26 issue of 'Match' each receive a super Patrick tracksuit.

They are: Billy Easton, Dunfermline, Fife; Marcus Holmes, Derby; Jon Cox, Erdington, Birmingham; Graeme MacNair, Dundonald, Ayrshire; Mick Doherty, London; and Rod McGowan, Droitwich, Worcs.





Alain Giresse, a two-goal hero in France's 4-1 defeat of Northern Ireland, slips the ball away from Mal Donaghy (left) and Martin O'Neill.



Gerry Armstrong provides Northern Ireland's parting shot in the World Cup Finals with the consolation goal against France, shrugging off Marius Tresor and by-passing team-mate Billy Hamilton and French goalkeeper Jean-Luc Ettori with his drive.

# END OF A DREAM



Above: The moment when England's hopes were dashed. Substitute Trevor Brooking watches his close range drive brilliantly saved by Spain goalkeeper Luis Arconada with Rafael Gordillo (left) and Jose Camacho powerless to intervene. Right: Phil Thompson, one of England's successes in the World Cup Finals, gets to grips with Spain's star man Jesus Zamora during the frustrating goalless draw.

